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TO HIS EXCELLENCY ROBERT OFFLEY ASHBURTON,
BARON HOUGHTON,

LORD LIEUTENANT-GENERAL AND GENERAL GOVERNOR OF IRELAND.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,

WE, the Commissioners of Education in Ireland, constituted by Acts of Parliament, and re-constituted by Scheme No. 34 under the Educational Endowments (Ireland) Act, 1885, respectfully submit the following general Report of our proceedings from the date of our last Report to December 31, 1892.

22 Geo. III.
cap. 109.
2 Geo. IV.
cap. 70.

On May 22, 1891, Your Excellency's predecessor finally approved of a Scheme, framed under the Act last above-mentioned, for altering the constitution of the Commission, and for the future Government and Management of the Endowments of the Ulster Royal Schools.

Scheme No. 3.

Under the provisions of this Scheme, the Commission, as newly constituted, consists of twenty Commissioners, of whom ten are appointed by the Lord Lieutenant, and ten are elected by the Local Boards of Education established under the Scheme.

Appointment
of Commis-
sioners.

The Commissioners appointed by the Lord Lieutenant hold office during his pleasure. Those elected by the Local Boards enter upon office on January 1 following their election, and hold office until December 31 next ensuing, or till the election of their successors, whichever shall last happen. In case of a casual vacancy occurring during the year of office of any of the last named Commissioners, the Local Boards have power to elect a person to the vacancy, who may hold office to the end of the year.

By Lord Lieut-
enant.
By Local
Boards.

There are no longer any *ex-officio* members of the Board.

At the date of the Scheme, four of the Commissioners then existing, namely, the Provost of Trinity College, Dr. Tyrrell, Mr. Pigot, and the Rev. Mr. Edgar, were qualified under the provisions of the Scheme to continue as Commissioners, and consented so to do. These Commissioners are called in the Scheme "the continuing Commissioners," and are to be regarded as appointed by the Lord Lieutenant. There accordingly remained six vacancies to be filled by the Lord Lieutenant, and to these vacancies The Right Rev. Monsignor Molloy, The Right Rev. Monsignor Browne, His Honour Judge Shaw, Mr. Carton, *q.c.*, Mr. W. J. M. Starkie, *r.t.c.d.*, and the Rev. Dr. McMullen, were appointed by Warrants of Their Excellencies the Lords Justices, dated June 11, 1891.

Continuing
Commissioners

Towards the close of the year 1892, Judge Shaw resigned his Commissionership, and by Warrant of Your Excellency, dated December 16, 1892, The Rev. J. M. Hamilton, *M.A.*, was appointed a Commissioner in his place.

For the purposes of this Scheme, a Protestant Board of Education, and a Roman Catholic Board of Education, have been constituted in each of the following Districts:—

Local Boards.

The Armagh District, consisting of the County of Armagh.

The Tyrone District, consisting of the County of Tyrone with so much of the County of Londonderry as is included in the Diocese of Armagh.

The Fermanagh District, consisting of the County of Fermanagh and the County of Monaghan, being part of the Diocese of Clogher.

The Cavan District, consisting of the County of Cavan.

The Donegal District, consisting of the County of Donegal.

The several Local Boards, constituted to exercise their functions in the foregoing Districts, respectively, are designated as follows:—

The Armagh Protestant Board of Education.
 The Armagh Roman Catholic Board of Education.
 The Tyrone Protestant Board of Education.
 The Tyrone Roman Catholic Board of Education.
 The Fermanagh Protestant Board of Education.
 The Fermanagh Roman Catholic Board of Education.
 The Cavan Protestant Board of Education.
 The Cavan Roman Catholic Board of Education.
 The Donegal Protestant Board of Education.
 The Donegal Roman Catholic Board of Education.

Each of the Local Boards is constituted by the Scheme a Body Corporate, with perpetual succession and a common seal, and power to acquire and hold property, real and personal, for the purposes of the Scheme.

First Com-
missioners
elected by
Local Boards.

The following Commissioners were elected by the Local Boards, at the first election held after the date of the Scheme, and were entitled to remain in office until December 31, 1892:—

His Grace The Most Rev. Dr. Knox, Archbishop of Armagh, by the Armagh Protestant Board.
 His Grace The Most Rev. Dr. Logue, Archbishop of Armagh, by the Armagh Roman Catholic Board.
 Anthony Traill, Esq. F.R.C.S., by the Cavan Protestant Board.
 His Grace the Most Rev. Dr. Walsh, Archbishop of Dublin, by the Cavan Roman Catholic Board.
 John Walker Craig, Esq., Q.C., by the Donegal Protestant Board.
 The Very Rev. Edward Maguire, D.D., by the Donegal Roman Catholic Board.
 The Right Rev. Charles M. Stack, Bishop of Clogher, by the Fermanagh Protestant Board.
 The Most Rev. Dr. Donnelly, Bishop of Clogher, by the Fermanagh Roman Catholic Board.
 Rev. Professor Dougherty, M.A., by the Tyrone Protestant Board.
 The Most Rev. Dr. O'Doherty, Bishop of Derry, by the Tyrone Roman Catholic Board.

With the exception of Cardinal Logue, who did not offer himself for re-election, all the Commissioners abovenamed were re-elected for the year 1893. The Very Rev. Canon Coyne, F.R., Keady, was elected as the representative of the Armagh Roman Catholic Local Board, in the place of Cardinal Logue.

Meetings.

We held our first meeting, after the date of the Scheme, on June 29, 1891. Since that date, we held meetings on July 29 and 30, and October 20, 1891; and on January 21, February 11, April 21, July 1, October 14, and November 4, 1892. At our first meeting after the date of the Scheme we elected the Provost of Trinity College to be our Chairman, and the Right Rev. Monsignor Molloy to be our Vice-Chairman; at our first meeting in 1892, we re-elected the Chairman and Vice-Chairman; and at our first meeting in the present year, we elected the Right Rev. Monsignor Molloy to be our Chairman, and the Provost of Trinity College to be our Vice-Chairman.

Committees.

We have availed ourselves, from time to time, of the power given to us by the 9th section of the Scheme, to appoint Committees to transact such of our business as we deemed it expedient to depute to them. Among others, we appointed a permanent Finance Committee consisting, in the first instance, of the Provost of Trinity College, the Right Rev. Monsignor Molloy, His Honour Judge Shaw, Mr. Carton, Mr. Craig, Mr. Pigot, and Dr. Traill, and we directed all letters and reports requiring our determination to be referred to them for consideration in the first instance. This Committee held meetings on July 30 and 31, August 20, October 8 and 20, November 17, December 3 and 23, 1891; and on January 21, February 4, March 29, April 21, July 1, July 28, August 25, September 30, October 14, November 4, December 10, and December 28, 1892.

The office staff consists, as formerly, of a Secretary and a Clerk. Mr. Jeffrey Secy. McDowell, who had been appointed Secretary in 1889, under the former Board, continued to act as Secretary to the Commissioners, as reconstituted by the Scheme; and we are sorry to have to report his sudden death on December 13, 1892. We desire to place on record our high appreciation of the valuable assistance rendered to us by Mr. McDowell in carrying out the provisions of the Scheme; and we take this, the first public opportunity, of giving our unanimous testimony to Mr. McDowell's capability, efficiency, and courtesy as our officer. At our meeting, held on January 26, 1893, we elected to the vacant office, Mr. N. D. Murphy, M.A., who had been, for more than six years, Assistant Secretary, and for the last year, Secretary, to the Educational Endowments Commission.

THE TREASURY ESTIMATES.

We are glad to be able to report that the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury have assented to our claim that the full remuneration of our officers should be defrayed out of moneys voted by Parliament, and not in part out of the Endowments, as had hitherto been the case. They have increased the salary of our Clerk from £100 to £370 per annum, on our undertaking to discontinue the annual grant of £170 made to that officer out of the Endowments, and, in the case of a vacancy occurring, to submit to the Treasury the question of the salary of the Clerk, before any fresh appointment is made.

Expenses of Commission.

THE ULSTER ROYAL SCHOOL ENDOWMENTS.

It is provided, by section 70, that the vested interests of the Head Masters of the Ulster Royal Schools in office at the date of the Scheme should be saved, and that the Scheme should not come into operation with respect to the Endowments of any of the Ulster Royal Schools in which any of the aforesaid Head Masters should continue to hold office, until his vested interest should be determined by death, resignation, or otherwise, as provided in the Scheme. On the date at which the Scheme was finally approved by the Lord Lieutenant, four of the Head Masters were in office—Dr. Morgan at Armagh, Mr. Moore at Cavan, Dr. Ringwood at Dungannon, and Dr. Steele at Enniskillen. Dr. Weir, the last Head Master of Raphoe, had died previous to the passing of the Scheme. The Scheme accordingly came into operation at once with regard to Raphoe.

Scheme coming into operation.

Section 71 provides that each Head Master, who should retire, or who should be removed for any of the causes mentioned in the Scheme, should receive a retiring annuity equal to the annual salary payable to him at the date of the passing of the Educational Endowments Act. These salaries are set out in the Second Schedule to the Scheme. As an inducement to the Head Masters to retire, section 71 also provides that each Head Master who should retire, within six months after the date of the Scheme, should receive a money consideration according to a scale fixed in the section referred to.

Retiring Head Masters' Annuities.

The four Head Masters in office took advantage of the terms offered. They all resigned office between the months of June and September, 1891. They received, on their resignation, the gratuities above specified, and they have since been paid their retiring annuities.

Retiring bonus.

In prescribing the manner in which the Ulster Royal School Endowments are to be administered in future, the Scheme proceeds upon two main principles—(1.) the distribution of the Endowments, in equal shares, between the Protestants and Roman Catholics of the districts to which the Endowments are applicable; and (2.) the removal, from us to Local Boards, of the management and control of the schools that are to receive aid from these Bodies. For this purpose, there have been constituted, as already mentioned, a Protestant Board and a Roman Catholic Board for each of the five Royal School Districts.

Future administration of Endowments.

The functions of these Local Boards, as stated in the Scheme, are as follows:—

(1.) To establish or aid in establishing, and to maintain or aid in maintaining, such school or schools in their several Districts as they shall think expedient.

Functions of Local Boards.

(2.) To administer and apply such share of the Endowments, included in the present or any other Scheme framed under the Act, as shall be vested in or received by them.

(3.) To exercise such supervision and control over the schools sharing in the Endowments administered by them, as may be necessary to secure compliance with the provisions of the present or of any other Scheme framed under the Act, and applicable to such schools.

(4.) To elect Commissioners and to do all other acts necessary to give effect to the provisions of the Scheme.

(5.) To receive and administer additional endowments.

(6.) To promote Intermediate Education in their several Districts by such means, consistent with the provisions of the Scheme, as shall from time to time appear expedient.

Principle of
Distribution.

It will in future be our duty, after providing for all proper and necessary outgoings, charges, and liabilities, and after carrying out the special arrangements required by the Scheme in respect of school premises, to distribute the income received by us, from each of the Ulster Royal School Endowments, in equal shares between the two Local Boards of the District.

First three
years.

Until the end of the third complete calendar year next following the date at which the Scheme came into operation with respect to each of the Endowments, respectively, all the moneys, received from us by the Local Boards, are to be applied by them for the purpose of maintaining, improving, or establishing Intermediate Schools managed in accordance with the provisions of the Scheme, and of promoting Intermediate Education in the several districts, so as to enable the Local Boards to avail themselves of the provisions for the permanent application of the Endowments.

Subsequently.

From and after the expiration of the above mentioned period of three years, all the moneys paid by us to the several Local Boards are to be applied by them for the benefit of Intermediate Schools fulfilling the conditions prescribed in the First Schedule to the Scheme, or for the benefit of pupils receiving Intermediate Education in those schools, in the manner, and subject to the conditions prescribed, in sections 57 and 59 of the Scheme.

It will become our duty, after the expiration of the same period, to satisfy ourselves that every school, sharing in the moneys received from any Local Board, fulfils the prescribed conditions.

PRIVATE PROTESTANT BENEFACTIONS at ARMAGH and RAPHOE.

Appointment
of Committee.

In pursuance of sections 63 and 67 of the Scheme, we appointed a Committee, on July 29, 1891, to investigate and to report to us upon the present value of any sums attributable to the expenditure of private moneys upon the premises of Armagh and Raphoe, by any Protestant Benefactor or Benefactors; and we directed the Protestant Boards of these districts, to send in any claims they might have, together with an abstract of the evidence on which they were grounded.

Report:
Armagh.

The report of this Committee, in the case of Armagh (a copy of which will be found in Appendix D, *infra*, p. 35), was considered and adopted by us at our meeting on October 14, 1891; and we have declared, in accordance therewith, the proportion attributable to the expenditure of private moneys thereon, by private Protestant Benefactors, to be one fourth of the present value of the Armagh Royal School premises.

We have accordingly, in our disposal of the Armagh school premises, treated this proportion as belonging exclusively to the Protestant Board, and we have reduced the rest of the school premises accordingly.

Donagall.

The claim of the Donagall Protestant Board is still under investigation by the Committee, and awaiting further evidence to be produced by that Board.

INSPECTION of the SCHOOLS SHARING in the ULSTER ROYAL SCHOOL ENDOWMENTS.

Inspection.

In reply to a communication which we received, from the Under-Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant, requesting us to take into consideration the due inspection of these Schools, and to furnish any observations which we might desire to make, we addressed a letter to the Under-Secretary, in which we pointed out that, for a period of three years from the date at which the Scheme should come into operation for each of the several Endowments, the functions of the Inspector would be merely to see that the provisions of the sections 55 and 56 of the Scheme are carried out by the Local Boards; and we suggested that the Inspector should, during this period, make his report under the heads set forth in a Form prepared by the Educational Endowments Commissioners

We deferred making any recommendations as to inspection after that period, until we should have had some experience of the working of the Scheme.

We added that, on the double ground of efficiency and economy, we were of opinion that provision could best be made for the inspection of these schools, by the appointment, for that purpose, of the Assistant Commissioners of the Intermediate Education Board for Ireland; and we recommended that, in the event of the Assistant Commissioners not being appointed, no permanent appointment should be made for the present; but that the Inspector or Inspectors should be appointed annually, and that in no event should an appointment be made for a longer period than the above mentioned period of three years.

ADJUSTMENT OF ACCOUNTS OF ULSTER ROYAL SCHOOL ENDOWMENTS.

At the date of the Scheme, the Endowments of three of the Royal Schools, namely, Cavan, Dungannon, and Enniskillen, consisted largely of cash balances standing to their credit, being savings out of their yearly income. Against Armagh there stood a balance of £616 10s. 11d., cash; while Raphoe appeared with a debit balance of £1,452. The Scheme provides, section 73, that all current cash accounts of the Ulster Royal School Endowments should be balanced on June 30, or December 31, next after the date of the Scheme, and directs that every such balance, except the balance in the case of Raphoe, should be treated as capital, bearing interest at four per cent. With regard to Raphoe, it is provided, in the same section, that the debt should be discharged by an equal poundage rate out of such of the Endowments as appeared to have credit balances.

The adjustment of the accounts which these directions rendered necessary, including the provision for payment of consideration money to those Head Masters who surrendered their School premises, within six months after the date of the Scheme, in pursuance of section 71, has been made. The results thereof, brought down to December 31, 1891, are shown in the Capital Account, Appendix A., No. III., *ibid.*, pp. 20, 21.

SCHOOLS SHARING IN THE ULSTER ROYAL SCHOOL ENDOWMENTS.

1. *Armagh District.*—The Rev. Dr. Morgan, the Head Master of Armagh Royal School, resigned his office on September 1, 1891, and the Scheme came into operation with respect to the Armagh Endowments on that date. Before this, the Protestant Local Board had informed us that they would take over the school premises, upon the terms laid down in the Scheme, at the earliest moment when empowered to do so; and they requested us to place no obstacles in the way of their use of the premises in the meantime. We acceded to this request, and we placed Mr. Thomas Gordon, who had been appointed Head Master of the school, in the premises as caretaker, and we permitted him to carry on his school therein, pending our investigation as to private Protestant benefactions.

The Protestant Board, in their Annual Report which is printed in Appendix C., *ibid.*, p. 25, state that Mr. Gordon has, since his appointment, maintained an efficient school. On September 3, 1891, when the school opened under his management, the number of boarders was 4, and the number of day pupils 15; on June 30, 1892, the number of boarders had increased to 12, and that of day pupils to 20; while on December 31, 1892, the returns show that the boarders had further increased to 17, and the day boys to 32. The Protestant Board add that they have every reason to hope for a steady increase in both classes of scholars.

We regret that we have been unable up to the present to make any payments, on account of the income of the Endowments, to the Local Boards of this district.

II. *Cavan District.*—The Scheme came into operation with respect to the Endowments of this District on August 1, 1891, the date of the resignation of the Rev. Mr. Moore, Head Master of the Royal School. The Protestant Board having passed a resolution to take the school premises on the terms proposed in the Scheme, we delivered the possession thereof to them, and they are to be permitted to occupy the same, so long as they shall use them for the purposes of a school managed by that Board in accordance with the provisions of the Scheme. At the same time, we set apart, from the capital of the Cavan Royal School Endowments, a sum of £2,607 11s. 3d., Government Stock, equivalent at the price of the day to £2,500, the estimated capital value of the premises, and we hold the same as a Building Fund for the purposes of the Cavan Roman Catholic Board; and we pay the income thereof, or of so much as for the time being is unapplied for building purposes, to the Cavan Roman Catholic Local Board.

Report, Protestant Board.

The Cavan Protestant Board have appointed Mr. James Hampton, B.A., ex-Siz., T.C.N. to be Head Master of the school which they have established in the premises of the old Royal School; and the school is at present in operation under his management. The Head Master reports that there were on December 31, 1892, 30 day boys and 3 boarders. The Annual Report of the Cavan Protestant Board is to be found *infra*, pp. 27, 28.

Report, Catholic Board.

From the Annual Report of the Roman Catholic Board, *infra*, pp. 29, 30, we learn that they have recognised St. Patrick's College, Cavan, as the Catholic intermediate school of the District; and that they have appointed a School Committee to aid in the supervision and management of the school. The number of pupils in attendance on December 31, 1892, was 56, of whom 34 were boarders and 22 were day boys.

Disbursements Payments.

The income of the Endowments for the half-year to December, 1891, was £458 16s. 10d., and for the year 1892, was £542 15s. 1d. We distributed between the two Local Boards of this District, on account of the income of the Endowment, £321 10s. 8d. for the half year to December 31, 1891, and £240 for the year to December 31, 1892. In addition to this, we paid to the Roman Catholic Board two sums of £17 9s. 5d. and £34 19s., the income of their Building Fund.

Dungannon Royal School.

III. *Tyrone District.*—The Rev. Dr. Ringwood resigned his position of Head Master of Dungannon Royal School on August 2, 1891, and the Scheme came into operation with respect to the Dungannon Endowments upon that day. The two Tyrone Local Boards thereupon, in pursuance of section 65 of the Scheme, appointed a Joint Committee to frame a Scheme for the disposal of the school premises. This Committee being unable, after several meetings, to come to any settlement, we requested His Grace Dr. Logue and Professor Dougherty to confer with the Local Boards, and to endeavour to effect a satisfactory arrangement. As the result of this conference, the two Boards finally agreed to a proposal that a sum of £1,700, in addition to the garden, and a field called Stuart's Field which was no part of the Endowments, and which should be purchased by the Protestant Board, should be given by that Board to the Roman Catholic Board in settlement of the claim of the latter upon the Dungannon School premises, and that the Protestant Board should retain the whole of the buildings and the remainder of the land, and that this settlement should be accepted as covering the claim of the Protestant Board for private benefactions.

Agreement for disposal.

Date of adoption.

This agreement was sanctioned by our Board. Legal difficulties in connection with the transfer of Stuart's Field occurred, but the agreement was finally adopted, by both Local Boards, in November, 1892. The Protestant Board have gone into occupation of the buildings, and have appointed Mr. Robert Foster Dill, M.A., Oxon., to be Head Master of the school; but the school had not been opened at the date of their Annual Report. It has since been opened under Mr. Dill, as Head Master, and on December 31, 1892, there were 38 day boys on the roll of the school.

An intermediate day school has been opened in Dungannon, by the Roman Catholic Board, under the name of St. Patrick's Academy. Nineteen pupils were in attendance during the year ended June 30, 1892.

Distribution of Income.

We paid to each of the Tyrone Boards a sum of £268 8s. 4d. on account of the income of the Endowment for the half year ended December 31, 1891. On December 31, 1892, the balance to credit, after payment of outgoings, was £292 0s. 7d.; of this sum we have divided £292 between the Tyrone Boards, in respect of income for the year 1892.

Enniskillen Royal School.

Disposal.

IV. *Fermanagh District.*—The Scheme came into operation with respect to the Enniskillen Royal School Endowments on June 22, 1891, the date of Dr. Steele's resignation. We thereupon, in accordance with section 66 of the Scheme, offered the Enniskillen school premises to the Fermanagh Protestant Local Board at the estimated capital value of £7,000. The Protestant Board agreed to these terms, and having complied with the provisions of the aforesaid section, received possession of the school premises on August 27, 1891.

Catholic Building Fund.

We hold and apply the sum of £3,500 provided by the Protestant Board, representing one moiety of the estimated capital value of the premises, as a Building Fund for the purposes of the Roman Catholic Board, and we have added thereto, as directed by section 66 of the Scheme, a further sum of £437 4s. 7d., which is the amount ascertained to be the excess of our expenditure, from January 1, 1889, to the date of the Scheme, upon the repairs, maintenance, and improvement, of the school premises, over and above the cost of necessary repairs and maintenance. Until these moneys shall be used for building purposes, we pay the income thereof to the Fermanagh Roman Catholic Board.

The Protestant Board have opened a school in the premises handed over to them, and have appointed the Rev. Dr. Lindsay to be the Head Master. They report that the school has attained a high state of proficiency; the attendance has been large during the year 1892, and during the last quarter there were on the rolls 83 boarders and 39 day boys, of whom two were free boys.

Opening of
School.

The Roman Catholic Board have selected St. Macarten's Seminary, Monaghan, as a school to receive the benefit of the Endowments under section 56 of the Scheme; and they have appointed a School Committee, consisting of five members of their Board, to aid in the supervision and management of the school. The number on the roll at the opening of the year 1892 was 38, six being day pupils; while at the close of the year, there were 42 boarders and two day pupils. The largest number of boarders attending at any one time during the year was 48. The Local Board have admitted, after competitive examination, two pupils as boarders into the school, who receive a reduction of £10 each upon the school fees.

St. Macarten's
Seminary.

The income of the Endowments for the half-year ending December 31, 1891, was £1,179 11s. 1d., and for the year ending December 31, 1892, £1,430 1s. 0d. We distributed, between the Local Boards of the district, £924 16s. 4d. on account of the income for the half-year to December 31, 1891, and £510 on account of the income for the year to December 31, 1892. We also paid to the Roman Catholic Board, on account of the income of their Building Fund, the sum of £148 4s. 11d.

Distribution of
Income.

V. Donegal District.—At the date of the Scheme, there were no vested interests existing in respect of the Raphoe Endowments, and accordingly the Scheme came into operation in this district on May 23, 1891. We thereupon, as directed by section 67, invited tenders from each of the Local Boards to take the Raphoe Royal School premises for the purposes of a school to be conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Scheme. The Roman Catholic Board declined to make any tender, and we accepted the tender of the Protestant Board for a tenancy at a rent of sixty-three pounds a year, and we disposed of the premises, accordingly, under an agreement for a yearly tenancy, dated May 25, 1892, at the aforesaid rent.

Raphoe School.

The Protestant Board inform us that, having come so recently into possession of the premises, they have as yet taken no steps to open a school.

Tenancy,
Protestant
Board.

The Roman Catholic Board have selected the school known as the Seminary or High School, Letterkenny, as the Educational establishment to which they will apply the share of the Raphoe Royal School Endowments at their disposal; and they have appointed a School Committee to aid in the supervision and management of the school.

Roman Catho-
lic Board.

We were unable to make any payments to the Donegal Boards for the half-year to December 31, 1891; but we paid a sum of £55 to each Board for the year 1892.

OTHER ENDOWMENTS VESTED IN THE COMMISSIONERS.

1. Other Royal Schools.

Banagher Royal School.—The School Estate is still in the hands of a Receiver appointed by the Chancery Division of the High Court of Justice. The Government debt, which, at the date of our last Report, stood at £225 18s. 7d., is gradually being paid off. The estate also owes the sum of £306 12s. 1d., for moneys advanced out of our general account. Subject to the payment of the retiring annuity of the late Head Master, Mr. P. King Joyce, M.A., and subject to the payment of the two charges mentioned above, it is provided, by Scheme No. 90, framed under the Educational Endowments Act, which, however, has not yet been finally approved, that the Endowments of Banagher Royal School shall be applied for the promotion of intermediate education in the King's County.

Banagher.

Carysfort Royal School.—Scheme, No. 85, framed under the Educational Endowments Act, for the future management of this Endowment, and finally approved on September 30, 1892, provides that the Endowment shall be applied in the promotion of Elementary and Technical Education, by a Roman Catholic Committee and a Protestant Committee, in the Carysfort District. This area extends four miles in every direction from Carysfort Royal School, in the County Wicklow, and includes the localities of Macreddin and Sheeanamore, as well as the towns of Aughrim, and the villages of Ballinastone and Mucklagh.

Carysfort

The Scheme contemplates the use, by the Roman Catholic Committee, of a National School, known as the Macreddin School, and the use, by the Protestant Committee, of the old Carysfort Royal School, to be known in future as the Sheeana School. Provision is made for placing both these schools in a state of repair.

Application of
Net Income.

So long as these schools maintain an average attendance of ten pupils, they will each be entitled to receive an annual grant of not less than one-third of the net income of the Endowment. The residue of the income may be applied in paying special teachers, in subjects of Technical Education, or in the extra subjects taught in National Schools, for attending National Schools in the Carysfort District to be approved by us; and if any balance shall remain over, after providing for special teachers, it may be divided between a National School at Aughrim or at Mucklagh, under the Parish Priest of Aughrim, and a National School at Ballinacorney, under the Rector of Ballynacorney.

The Sheeana School has been put in repair at a cost of £93.

2. Private Schools.

Clonmel.

Clonmel School.—Under Scheme 45, finally approved on March 18, 1890, it is provided that, as soon as the debt which existed against the Endowments, and which is payable to us, should be cleared off, the school and its endowments should become vested in a Local Governing Body. The school is now closed. The debt is being gradually reduced, and stands at the sum of £268 17s. 5d. In addition to this, however, there is a sum of money due to the Board of Works for moneys advanced for improvements, amounting to £652 14s. 6d. This is repayable by half-yearly instalments.

Midleton.

Midleton College.—The Return furnished by the Head Master gives the numbers on the roll, on September 1, 1892, as 23 boarders and 17 day boys. The slight decrease, as compared with the numbers for the preceding year (28 boarders, 18 day boys), is probably to be attributed to an outbreak of scarlatina which occurred in the year 1891, which broke up the school for about six weeks. We have had the sanitary arrangements renewed under the direction of our architect, at a cost of £74 9s.; and they are now in a perfectly satisfactory condition.

Ballyroan.

Ballyroan School.—The Head Master informs us that, since February, 1892, there have been no pupils in attendance at this school. In November, 1891, upon his representation that he was unable, without assistance, to carry on the school efficiently, this Board agreed to pay an Under-master's salary at the rate of £50 (Irish) a year. We have made an order discontinuing this salary; and negotiations are pending for dispensing with the future service of the Head Master, and taking possession of the school premises.

3. The Diocesan School Endowments.

Limerick.—The Rev. J. F. Gregg is still tenant of the Roxboro' Road School, at a rent of £20 per annum. Scheme No. 90, which deals with Banagher Royal School, as well as with all the Diocesan School Endowments in our hands, lately submitted by the Educational Endowments Commission, in an amended form, for Your Excellency's approval, gives the Rev. Canon Gregg a right of preemption of the reversion, now vested in us, expectant on the determination of his tenancy, at the price of £831.

Leighlin and Ossory; Meath and Ardagh; Tuam, Kildare, and Aconry.—The state of the funds belonging to these Endowments will be found in the Appendix B, No. 2 *infra*, pp. 22, 23, which also shows the accounts relating to Limerick. Scheme No. 90 proposes that these Endowments shall be applied, each in the Diocese to which it relates, for the promotion of Intermediate Education.

ESTATE MANAGEMENT.

Estate Com-
mittees.

In pursuance of section 46 of the Scheme, we required the two Local Boards of each District to appoint equal numbers of their Members to form Estate Committees, for the purpose of advising and assisting us in the management of our Ulster Royal Schools Estates. We have directed that all matters connected with these Estates, requiring the consideration of the Board, shall be previously submitted to the Estate Committee concerned for a Report; and we have derived considerable assistance from them in our dealings with the tenants on these Estates.

Rent Collec-
tion, 1891.

The collection of rent, during the year 1891, was satisfactory, except upon the Dungannon Estate. On a total rental of £7,445 7s. 10d., our agents accounted to us for the sum of £7,677 13s. 4d., being £232 5s. 6d. over a full year's rent. We cancelled, during the year, arrears to the amount of £28 5s. 1d.; and the outstanding arrears at the end of 1891 stood at the sum of £5,466 15s. 8d., as against £3,727 6s. 3d. at the end of the preceding year.

Abatement.

On the Cavan, Enniskillen, and Raphoe Estates, for the year 1891, we granted an abatement of 10 per cent. to non-judicial tenants; and to such judicial tenants as had their rents fixed out of court at a less reduction than 10 per cent., an abatement of 10 per cent. upon the original rent. On the Dungannon Estate we made a reduction of 15 per cent. to the non-judicial tenants.

We made no reduction on the Cappaloughlin and Clonmel Estates, our agent having advised us that he saw no reason why any should be made.

Our agents have not yet collected all the rents for the year 1892; we cannot therefore make any report on the subject of rent collection for that year, but we may state that we have allowed, on the Dungannon Estate, an abatement of 15 per cent. on non-judicial rents; and on the Cavan and Enniskillen Estates an abatement of 15 per cent. on non-judicial rents, and on judicial rents an abatement equivalent to the difference between the reduction given by the Land Commission, and 15 per cent. on the original rents. No reduction has been made on the Cappaloughlin and Clonmel Estates.

Collection,
1892

Armagh Estate.—The tenants upon this Estate applied to us to sell them their holdings under the Land Purchase Acts, and we invited them to state what terms they were prepared to offer. The proposal which they made was submitted by us to the Estates Committee of the two Armagh Boards, who advised that it should not be accepted; and we accordingly declined to sanction the sale.

Armagh
Estates.

Raphoe Estate.—Early in the year 1892, difficulties arose about the collection of the rents on the Donegal Estate. With a view to effect a peaceable settlement of the matters in dispute we deputed the Most Rev. the Bishop of Raphoe and Rev. Professor Dougherty to visit the tenants, and to try to come to an arrangement with them. The result of this visit, which took place on March 5, 1892, was satisfactory. All the tenants upon the Estate, who had not paid a year's rent in connexion with the last gale day, agreed to pay a year's rent before the 1st of July, upon the condition which we agreed to, that we should stay legal proceedings in the meantime. Our agent has informed us that this agreement has been substantially carried out by all the tenants.

Raphoe Estate.

In the report which the deputation made to us of this interview, they informed us that the tenants of the Estate were anxious to purchase their holdings under the Land Purchase Acts, and negotiations to carry out this purchase are now pending.

ESTATE SCHOOLS.

The Primary Schools established upon the Armagh, Dungannon, Raphoe, and Cappaloughlin Estates continue in a satisfactory condition. The number on the rolls has fallen during the year from 397 to 387; the average attendance remaining practically the same.

Primary
Schools.

Appended will be found (A.) the Accounts of the Commissioners for the year 1891, (B.) the Accounts for the year 1892, (C.) the Reports of the Local Boards, and (D.) the Report of Committee as to Private Protestant Benefactions at Armagh.

Appendices.

All which we have the honour to submit, for your Excellency's consideration, as our Report in the premises.

Sealed with our Common Seal at a Special Meeting
held this Fifteenth day of June, 1893.

(Seal.)

DAVID R. PIGOT, Chairman of Meeting.
ROBERT BROWNE
ANTHONY TRAILL
R. Y. TYRRELL
J. M. HAMILTON.
WALLACE M'MULLEN.
J. B. DOUGHERTY.
E. MAGUIRE.
MICHAEL COYNE.

N. D. MURPHY,
Secretary.

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THE COMMISSIONERS OF EDUCATION

Dr.

BALANCE SHEET.

No.

Made up to

ASSETS.

	Cash.	Cash.	Stock.	Stock.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
To Government 2½ per Cent. Consolidated Stock—				
Caryfoote Royal School Endowment,	—	—	886 7 2	
Caran Do. Do.,	—	—	3,827 3 3	
Caran Roman Catholic Board of Education Building Fund, .	—	—	2,607 11 3	
Draginonan Royal School Endowment,	—	—	1,407 0 5	
Enniskillen Do., Do.,	—	—	3,650 3 3	
Fernanagh Roman Catholic Board of Education Building Fund,	—	—	1,499 1 3	
Milinstock Private School Endowment,	—	—	1,107 2 10	
Navan and Ballyman Do.,	—	—	3,618 7 3	
Navan Do.,	—	—	307 3 9	
Ballyman Private School,	—	—	716 15 3	
Clonsilla Do.,	—	—	14 14 6	
Cappaghlonghills Estate, Railway Land Investment, . . .	—	—	303 19 2	
Leighlin and Ousey Diocesan School,	—	—	244 9 4	
Meath and Ardagh Do.,	—	—	547 1 11	
Tunns, Kildale and Acherry, Do.,	—	—	620 4 0	
				25,332 5 0
Joint Government 2½ per Cent. —				
Eyrecoont Private School,	—	—	—	490 6 5
Government 2½ per Cent. —				
Athlone Private School,	—	—	—	164 5 10
Canada 3 per cent. Inscribed Stock, Navan Private School, .	—	—	—	435 15 6
J. J. Benson's Deposit in 2½ per Cent. Stock,	—	—	—	1,000 0 0
J. C. Wynn's Deposit in Bank of Ireland Stock,	—	—	—	300 0 0
Sanagher Royal School, Debt Balance,	305 13 1	—	—	497 15 1
Clonsilla Private School, Debt Balance,	320 2 5	—	—	—
		628 14 0	—	—
Seed Advances due by Tenants,	—	31 16 2	—	—
Land Improvement—Agricultural Buildings and Drainage Loans for Clonsilla,	—	678 8 0	—	—
Rents, &c., in hands of Agents, &c.,	—	2,754 10 4	—	—
Cash in Bank of Ireland, Eyrecoont Account,	14 4 9	—	—	—
" General Account,	809 13 5	—	—	—
		824 0 3	—	—
Deposit Account, Eyrecoont,	113 0 0	—	—	—
Do., General Account,	1,000 0 0	—	—	—
		1,113 0 0	—	—
Totals,	£ 1,095 13 2			28,448 8 30

Note.—The Accounts for the year 1890 have been audited by an officer of

IN IRELAND, 5, LEINSTER-STREET, DUBLIN.

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31st December, 1891.

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LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL.

LIABILITIES.	Cash.		Stock.	
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
By J. C. Warr—Deposit as Security,			487	15 1
J. J. Baines, Do.,			1,000 0 0 300 0 0	1,707 15 1
Improvements (of Estate) for Cappaghlonghin,	25	0 0	—	—
Drafts outstanding,	393	14 3	—	—
Miscellaneous—The King's Hospital,	42	0 0	—	—
The Commissioners of Public Works for Channel,	670	6 6	—	—
Cavan Roman Catholic Board of Education,	17	9 6	—	—
Fernsagh Do.,	10	0 11	—	—
Clemed Tenant's Security,	60	0 0	—	—
CAPITAL DIVISIBLE AS FOLLOWS.		1,329 13 1		
Ulster Royal School Endowments—Balance to Credit as per Income and Expenditure Account,	1,334	14 0	—	—
Carrigroh Royal School—Balance to Credit as per Income and Expenditure Account,	654	13 0	—	—
Private Schools—Balance to Credit as per Income and Expenditure Account,	1,301	6 4	—	—
Diocesan Schools—Balance to Credit as per Income and Expenditure Account,	500	10 0	—	—
		5,350 3 10		
Government 2½ per Cent. Stock :—				
Investment, General Account,	—	—	22,431	5 10
Do., Clergy, Cappaghlonghin,	—	—	202	10 3
Bank of Ireland, Security for overdrafts,	—	—	2,000	0 0
			25,155	5 0
Joint Government, 2½ per Cent. Stock :—				
Investment, Eyrecoast School,	—	—	440	6 5
Government 2½ Per Cent. Stock :				
Investment, Athlone School,	—	—	164	2 10
Canada 5 per Cent. Inscribed Stock :				
Investment, Noyan Private School,	—	—	496	15 5
			1,103	5 9
Cash Balance,	—	607 16 5	—	—
MEMORANDUM ACCOUNT.				
Note.—In addition to the above named Liabilities there are the following, repayment of which is guaranteed by the Income from the respective Estates :—				
Banagher Royal School—Balance of Building Loan advanced from Consolidated Fund, £295 18s. 11d., and this is now being paid off under the Court of Chancery.				
Channel Private School—Balance of Building £ s. d. Loan advanced from the Consolidated Fund (£290), now in course of repayment, by half-yearly instalments of £15 5s. each, or £24 14s. per annum for 23 years; out of which sixteen payments have been made amounting to £197 12s., 197 5 0				
	£	6,056 13 2		25,448 5 10

RECEIPTS AND

1.—ULSTER ROYAL

Dr.

Half-year ending

EXPENDITURE.	Cash Balance to Credit at 31st December, 1899.	RECEIPTS.				Balance to Debit on 31st Jan., 1901.	Total.	Balance to Debit at 31st Jan., 1901.	ON ESTATE OF	
		Land Rents.	Buy Rents.	Other Receipts, Interest, &c.	Total Receipts.				Agriculture &c.	Free use, Household- furniture, &c.
		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Armagh Royal School,	—	1,399 14 3	—	84 5 0	1,384 19 3	305 10 11	1,690 7 8	602 11 2	43 7 8	33 5 0
Maltingmore (Treasurer),	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cavan Royal School,	1,056 16 4	284 0 10	—	56 10 8	407 6 7	—	2,443 10 11	—	56 14 10	81 8 1
Dungannon „	1,201 8 8	1,016 8 8	91 0 0	20 6 7	1,308 5 13	—	2,497 6 9	—	126 10 8	300 16 4
King's Island (Treasurer),	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Enniskillen Royal School,	6,664 2 4	1,366 16 3	—	163 10 3	1,469 12 10	—	6,313 17 3	—	216 6 7	346 16 6
Enniskillen „	—	425 12 10	—	60 0 7	485 12 8	1,407 11 6	1,904 8 5	1,406 8 5	16 16 8	33 2 8
Townsville (Treasurer),	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	8,407 4 12	4,076 8 1	11 0 0	216 6 10	5,073 26 7	1,005 1 11	15,818 9 8	1,325 14 0	484 17 1	428 7 3

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Half-year ending

Expenditure.	Cash Balance to Credit at 31st Dec., 1901.	RECEIPTS.				Balance to Debit on 31st Dec., 1901.	Total.	Balance to Debit at 31st Dec., 1901.	ON ESTATE OF	
		Land Rents.	Buy Rents.	Other Receipts, Interest, &c.	Total Receipts.				Agriculture &c.	Furniture, &c.
£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	
Armagh Royal School,	—	81 0 0	—	22 4 1	104 4 1	—	164 4 1	—	—	19 10 10
Maltingmore (Treasurer),	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cavan Royal School,	—	113 5 8	—	63 10 1	186 17 6	—	326 17 6	—	—	4 17 6
Dungannon „	—	648 8 8	64 2 2	96 5 10	807 17 2	—	807 17 2	—	—	6 3 10
King's Island (Treasurer),	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Enniskillen Royal School,	—	1,306 11 6	—	76 10 2	1,379 11 1	—	3,159 11 1	—	—	141 17 6
Enniskillen „	—	80 2 8	—	10 0 1	90 2 9	—	22 6 7	—	—	—
Townsville (Treasurer),	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	—	1,816 16 8	64 6 8	218 11 8	1,979 12 8	—	2,671 16 8	—	—	205 8 6

II

EXPENDITURE.

SCHOOL ENDOWMENTS.

30th June, 1891.

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EXPENDITURE.											Balance to Credit 30th June, 1891.	Total.
ENDOWMENT.			ON SCHOOL.				Law Costs.	Miscellaneous Disbursements.	Total Expenditure.			
Donations.	Trustees' School.	Real Abatement.	Salaries and Allowances.	Royal Scholarships.	Repairs, &c.	Rent, Taxes, and Insurance, &c.						
£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	
—	—	10 0 0	621 11 3	45 0 0	125 2 1	20 1 1	0 3 0	44 12 13	444 10 3	—	1,861 7 0	
—	10 0 0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
10 0 0	—	50 0 0	396 1 3	—	85 11 0	0 18 8	2 0 0	20 12 0	900 10 11	1,545 0 0	3,407 7 0	
1 1 0	—	505 0 1	627 12 3	50 0 0	35 12 8	1 0 0	4 0 0	22 18 4	1,189 55 2	3,321 14 0	3,497 0 0	
—	10 0 0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
10 0 0	—	104 10 4	373 12 7	—	104 0 0	21 0 0	64 12 0	64 2 0	1,427 15 10	4,305 0 0	3,319 17 0	
1 10 0	—	80 10 0	23 17 10	—	2 0 0	12 10 10	12 0 0	123 17 0	513 2 12	—	1,864 0 0	
—	50 0 0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
14 15 0	10 0 0	327 7 1	1,537 10 7	65 0 0	450 0 10	22 18 0	130 1 10	401 18 0	4,424 0 4	3,160 7 1	12,500 0 0	

31st December, 1891.

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EXPENDITURE.											Balance to Credit 31st Dec., 1891.	Total.
EXPENDIT.			ON SCHOOL.					Law Costs.	Miscellaneous Disbursements.	Total Expenditure.		
Donations.	Trustees' School.	Real Abatement.	Salaries and Allowances.	Royal Scholarships.	Repairs, &c.	Rent, Taxes, and Insurance, &c.						
£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
—	—	1 0 0	—	—	—	25 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	100 7 8	2 12 0	126 4 4
—	0 4 0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10 0 0	—	33 7 1	87 17 10	—	—	—	0 18 0	10 0 0	169 0 0	321 30 0	390 17 0	390 17 0
1 17 1	12 10 0	—	303 0 0	50 0 0	4 10 0	32 12 0	—	30 4 1	400 0 7	386 19 0	327 17 0	327 17 0
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
14 10 0	—	16 12 0	300 18 0	40 0 0	—	10 0 0	—	80 10 1	384 14 0	434 10 4	1,170 11 0	1,170 11 0
—	—	—	—	—	—	2 10 0	7 2 0	12 0 0	20 12 0	37 14 1	70 0 7	70 0 7
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10 16 4	24 4 0	100 10 10	743 21 0	40 0 0	4 10 0	42 10 0	14 11 0	120 1 3	1,347 3 3	1,254 24 0	6,071 30 0	6,071 30 0

No. II.—RECEIPTS AND

2.—OTHER ENDOWMENTS

Year ending

(a).—ROYAL

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ENDOWMENT.	Cash Balance to Credit on 31st December, 1900	RECEIPTS.					Balance to Debit on 31st Dec., 1901.	Total.	Balance to Debit on 31st Dec., 1901.	ON ACCOUNT OF	
		Land Rents.	Tithes.	Other Receipts, Dividends, &c.	Total Receipts.	Agricultural Rents.				Tithes.	
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Dunaghaun Royal School, Carrieffert	—	—	—	—	—	308 12 1	308 12 1	308 12 1	—	—	—
	882 37 0	104 1 0	—	37 10 0	142 11 0	—	354 8 0	—	11 0 0	—	—
	882 37 0	104 1 0	—	37 10 0	142 11 0	308 12 1	1,681 0 0	308 12 1	11 0 0	—	—

(b).—PRIVATE

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Athlone Private School.	—	—	—	4 30 13	4 30 13	—	4 30 13	4 30 13	4 30 13	—	—
Glennal.	—	418 4 0	8 38 0	88 20 4	418 20 7	820 3 8	645 1 8	747 8 30	747 8 30	30 0 0	—
Rosemark.	319 7 1	—	—	12 1 8	30 1 0	—	148 8 0	—	—	—	—
Midleton.	88 8 30	147 8 8	—	18 10 20	280 16 8	—	368 8 1	—	—	—	—
Marion and Ballinacree (Glennacree).	—	1,179 0 10	37 0 0	260 8 0	1,466 8 0	—	1,808 8 0	—	—	31 0 0	—
Farna.	618 18 4	—	—	21 8 0	21 8 0	—	647 4 10	—	—	—	—
Ballinacree.	818 7 0	—	—	27 18 0	27 18 0	—	845 8 0	—	—	—	—
Kilbricken (Treasury).	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	10 8 0
	1,810 18 0	1,784 30 8	35 37 0	143 38 0	2,146 10 0	380 2 8	2,772 0 8	2,772 0 8	2,772 0 8	31 0 0	10 8 0

(c).—DIOCESAN

	Cash Balance to Credit, 31st December 1900.	RECEIVED.			Balance to Debit on 31st December, 1901.	Total.
		Rent.	Dividends on Government Stock, &c.	Total.		
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Leighlin and Omeath,	92 15 8	—	8 0 9	8 0 9	—	100 16 8
Limerick Diocesan School-house,	12 16 11	20 0 0	0 6 3	20 6 3	—	33 5 2
Meath and Ardagh,	215 4 5	—	10 0 7	10 0 7	—	225 5 2
Tuan, Kesh and Achery,	183 3 9	—	19 12 10	19 12 10	—	202 16 9
	305 0 2	20 0 0	46 2 5	66 2 5	—	271 2 7

EXPENDITURE—continued.

ADMINISTERED BY THE COMMISSIONERS.

31st December, 1891

SCHOOLS.

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EXPENDITURE.											Balance to Credit, 31st Decem-ber, 1891.	Total.
ACCOMPLISHMENT.			ON SCHOOLS.			Low Costs.	Miscellaneous Disburse-ments.	Total Expenditure.				
For State, District, County Tax.	For District.	Improvements.	Teachers' Salaries.	Repairs.	Fuel, Heat, and Incidentals.							
£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		
—	—	—	—	—	—	3 0 0	3 15 7	6 15 7	—	328 15 7		
14 0 4	—	12 10 0	—	—	0 7 1	—	30 7 7	30 10 8	484 15 0	354 0 8		
14 0 4	—	12 10 0	—	—	0 7 1	0 0 0	30 0 0	30 0 0	484 15 0	1,040 0 0		

SCHOOLS.

£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3 1 0	0 1 0	3 14 7	4 15 11
36 0 0	—	—	—	0 11 3	12 10 1	33 0 0	141 0 0	481 14 0	—	660 14 0
1 0 0	—	—	—	—	1 1 0	—	0 0 0	2 0 0	117 0 4	118 0 4
20 0 0	—	—	100 0 0	10 0 0	0 0 7	—	4 12 3	104 10 0	100 0 0	90 0 1
48 15 7	40 0 0	7 0 0	—	—	—	10 10 0	100 10 0	480 0 0	—	—
0 4 4	—	—	33 0 0	—	04 0 0	—	103 10 0	710 10 0	814 4 4	9,487 14 0
0 0 0	—	—	104 0 0	60 7 0	04 0 0	—	1 0 0	310 0 0	487 17 0	
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	20 0 0	—	
100 10 0	40 0 0	7 0 0	200 10 1	10 7 4	100 10 1	40 10 0	481 12 7	1,040 10 0	1,381 0 0	2,771 0 0

SCHOOLS.

	Cash Balance in Debt, as 31st Dec., 1891.	EXPENDITURE.			Balance to Credit, as 31st Dec., 1891.	Total.
		Income Tax, &c.	Repairs.	Total Expenditure.		
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Light and Heat,	—	0 4 10	—	0 4 10	101 11 7	101 14 0
Insults Discharge School-house,	—	0 4 6	1 0 0	1 4 6	32 0 0	33 5 2
Heat and Arising,	—	0 10 0	—	0 10 0	222 14 0	223 0 0
Tax, Kitchens, and Accommodation,	—	0 12 6	—	0 12 6	202 3 0	202 15 0
—	—	1 12 7	1 0 0	2 12 7	568 10 0	571 2 7

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No. III.—ULSTER ROYAL SCHOOL

Dr.

1.—ARMAGH.

To December,

Date		Cash.	Stock.
1891.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
30th June.	To Balance,	616 10 11	—
30th Aug.	" Interest to date,	3 8 11	—
"	" Enniskillen, for equivalent sum of Cash,	—	646 13 4
30th Oct.	" Dr. Morgan, for surrender of School Premises,	500 0 0	—
"	" Enniskillen, for equivalent sum of Cash,	—	375 2 10
		1,119 19 10	1,019 16 2
31st Dec.	To Enniskillen, for Loan at 4 per cent.,	145 1 0	—
		1,265 0 10	1,019 16 2

2.—CAVAN.

31st July.	To Rev. W. P. Moore, for surrender of School Premises,	300 0 0	—
30th August.	" Raphoe, proportion of debt at 30th June,	261 5 9	—
8th October.	" Investment in Government Stock,	682 14 8	—
"	" Cavan Roman Catholic Board of Education Building Fund Account, Government Stock,	—	2,507 11 8
		1,260 0 5	2,507 11 8
31st Dec.	To Balance, Cash,	283 8 7	—
"	" Government Stock,	—	3,827 3 3
		1,543 9 0	5,934 14 6

3.—DUNGANNON.

31st July.	To Dr. Ringwood, for surrender of School Premises,	300 0 0	—
30th August.	" Raphoe, proportion of debt at 30th June,	374 8 5	—
8th October.	" Investment in Government Stock,	1,093 12 9	—
		1,768 1 2	—
31st Dec.	To Balance, Cash,	443 13 6	—
"	" Government Stock,	—	1,407 0 5
		2,211 14 8	1,407 0 5

4.—ENNISKILLEN.

31st July.	To Dr. Steele, for surrender of School Premises,	500 0 0	—
30th August.	" Armagh, for equivalent sum of Stock,	619 19 10	—
"	" Raphoe, proportion of debt at 30th June,	616 16 10	—
"	" Fermanagh Roman Catholic Board of Education Building Fund Account, Stock transferred,	—	1,498 1 3
8th October.	" Investment in Government Stock,	3,207 12 7	—
20th October.	" Armagh, for equivalent sum of Stock,	354 19 0	—
"	" Armagh, Loan at 4 per cent.,	145 1 0	—
		5,644 9 3	1,498 1 3
31st Dec.	To Balance, Cash,	180 14 2	—
"	" Armagh Loan,	145 1 0	—
"	" Government Stock,	—	3,859 3 2
		5,970 4 5	7,358 4 5

5.—RAPHOE.

30th June.	To Balance,	1,452 11 0	—
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ENDOWMENTS.—CAPITAL ACCOUNTS.

1891.

1.—ARMAGH.

Or.

Date.	—	Cash.	Stock.
1891.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
30th June.	By Balance Stock,	—	1,019 16 2
30th Aug.	" Enniskillen, for equivalent sum of Stock,	519 19 10	—
30th Oct.	" Do, do,	354 19 0	—
"	" Enniskillen, for Advance at 4 per cent.,	145 1 0	—
		1,119 19 10	1,019 16 2
31st Dec.	By Balance,	145 1 0	—
		1,265 0 10	1,019 16 2

2.—CAVAN.

30th June.	By Balance, Cash,	1,543 9 0	—
"	" Government Stock,	—	5,205 18 5
3rd October.	" Government Stock transferred,	—	758 16 1
		1,543 9 0	5,964 14 6

3.—DUNCANNON.

30th June.	By Balance, Cash,	2,211 14 8	266 8 8
8th October.	" Government Stock transferred,	—	1,140 15 9
		2,211 14 8	1,407 0 8

4.—ENNISKILLEN.

30th June.	By Balance, Cash,	4,825 3 5	—
"	" Government Stock,	—	2,992 16 3
1st August.	" Part Purchase Money of School Premises by Fernagh Protestant Board of Education,	1,000 0 0	—
30th August.	" Armagh, Government Stock for equivalent sum of Cash,	—	546 13 4
8th October.	" Government Stock transferred,	—	3,345 12 0
30th October.	" Armagh, Government Stock for equivalent sum of Cash,	—	273 2 10
		5,825 3 5	7,358 4 5
31st Dec.	By Armagh, Loan at 4 per Cent,	145 1 0	—
		5,970 4 5	7,358 4 5

5.—RAPHOE.

30th August.	By Cavan, proportion of debt,	261 5 3	—
"	" Duncannon, do,	374 8 5	—
"	" Enniskillen, do,	818 16 10	—
		1,452 11 0	—

THE COMMISSIONERS OF EDUCATION

See note

No.

Dr.

BALANCE SHEET.

Made up to

Title of Account.	Cash.	Stock.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
<i>Government 2½ per Cent. Consolidated Stock :—</i>		
The Commissioners of Education in Ireland, General Account (including Benison's Security, £1,300 Stock),	—	25,736 10 3
Do., do., Account B.,	—	104 2 12
The Accountant-General, to the credit of Commissioners (Cappoleaghlin),	—	903 19 2
Bishop of Clonfert, and others, and the Commissioners (Eyre-court),	—	440 5 3
Bank of Ireland (Security lodged by Commissioners for over-draft),	—	2,000 0 0
<i>Other Stock :—</i>		
Bank of Ireland Stock (Wann's Security),	—	437 13 1
Canada 4 per cent. Stock (Preston School, Navan),	—	436 16 2
<i>Cash Accounts :—</i>		
Armagh Royal School, Capital,	145 1 0	
Do., Income Account,	44 0 9	
Bunagher School,	306 12 1	
Enniskillen, Income Account,	163 4 9	
Clonmel School,	268 17 0	
Cash in Agents' hands,	1,509 10 0	
Dungannon School, Loan Account,	39 12 6	
John Deasy, Land Improvement,	20 0 0	
King's Hospital,	40 0 0	
Land Improvement—Agricultural Buildings,	492 6 7	
Do., Drainage,	160 7 11	
	662 14 6	
Bank of Ireland, General Current Account,	791 4 9	
Do., Eyre-court Account,	*16 4 9	
Do., Do., Deposit Account,	113 0 0	
	129 4 9	
<p>* Includes Rs. 44, due to General Current Account.</p>		
Total,	4,071 2 6	30,232 2 2

* Includes Rs. 44, due to General Current Account.

NOTE.—The Accounts for 1893 have been lodged with the Local

IN IRELAND, 5, LEINSTER-STREET, DUBLIN.

below.

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31st December, 1892.

CONTRA.

Cr.

TYPE of Credit.	Cash.	Stock.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Drafts outstanding,	469 12 10	—
<i>Royal Schools:—</i>		
Cavan Royal School Endowment, Capital, Government Stock,	—	3,633 10 7
Dungannon do. do. do. do. do.	—	1,870 18 5
Enniskillen do. do. do. do. do.	—	6,048 1 11
do. (Armagh debt),	145 1 0	—
Cavan Income Account,	206 24 11	—
Cavan Roman Catholic Local Board, Government Stock and Cash,	34 19 0	2,407 11 3
Dungannon Income Account,	292 0 7	—
Fermanagh Roman Catholic Local Board, Government Stock and Cash,	50 2 0	1,499 7 3
Raphoe Income Account,	113 10 10	—
Caryfort Royal School, Government Stock and Cash,	422 2 4	1,313 11 10
<i>Private Schools:—</i>		
Athlone Private School, Government Stock,	—	104 2 10
Clonsilla Grammar School, do.,	—	14 14 6
D. E. Byrne, Clonsilla Estate,	80 0 0	—
Eyrecoombe School, Banks' Endowment, Government Stock and Cash,	127 1 3	440 6 9
Middleton School, Government Stock and Cash,	79 14 3	1,107 2 10
Navan and Ballyvaughan Endowment, Government Stock,	—	8,498 7 3
Do. Cappaloughlin Estate, Railway Land Investment, Govt. Stock,	—	903 19 2
Preston School, Navan, Government Stock and Cash,	294 19 8	307 3 9
Do. Canada Stock,	—	496 18 2
Ballyvaughan School, Government Stock and Cash,	465 14 10	1,134 17 11
<i>Diocesan Schools:—</i>		
Leighlin and Ousey, Government Stock and Cash,	108 14 10	244 9 4
Limerick (Roxborough Road),	51 17 2	—
Meath and Ardagh, Government Stock and Cash,	248 18 3	547 1 11
Town, Kilsall, and Achary, do. do.	220 1 11	620 4 6
<i>Miscellaneous:—</i>		
J. C. Warr (security), Bank of Ireland Stock,	—	487 18 1
J. J. Beniam (security—Enniskillen), Government Stock,	—	1,000 0 0
Do. (security—Raphoe), do. do.	—	300 0 0
Miscellaneous Disbursements,	40 0 0	—
Representatives of Owen,	5 2 4	—
Commissioners of Public Works,	652 14 6	—
Improvements, Estates, John Delany,	20 0 0	—
Total,	4,071 2 6	30,212 3 3

Government Board, but have not yet been Audited.

No. II.—RECEIPTS AND

Year ending

1.—ULSTER ROYAL

Dr.

Name of Endowment.	Cash Balance to Credit Dec. 31, 1891.	RECEIPTS.				Balance to Debit, Dec. 31, 1892.	Total.	Balance to Debit, Dec. 31, 1892.
		Rents.	Dividends.	Other Receipts, including Interest on Credit Balances.	Total Receipts.			
Armagh Royal School, . .	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Cavan Royal School, . .	8 10 8	1,279 3 6	—	36 3 8	1,306 9 11	44 0 0	1,350 9 11	—
Down Royal School, . .	226 10 9	467 3 0	56 7 9	4 8 1	528 15 1	—	528 15 1	—
Dungannon Royal School, .	426 15 9	1,467 10 1	47 12 5	8 16 4	1,493 18 10	—	1,493 18 10	—
Downpatrick Royal School, .	624 16 4	1,292 18 8	102 18 9	14 3 8	1,410 1 0	103 4 8	1,513 5 1	—
Raphoe Royal School, . .	37 14 1	604 17 0	—	18 10 3	622 9 0	—	622 9 0	—
Totals,	1,214 14 8	4,064 10 10	266 18 2	65 26 18	4,396 7 10	247 4 8	4,643 7 10	—

2.—OTHER ENDOWMENTS

(a).—ROYAL

ENDOWMENT.	Cash Balance to Credit on 31st December, 1891.	RECEIPTS.				Balance to Debit on 31st December, 1892.	Total.	Balance to Debit on 31st December, 1892.
		Rents.	Dividends.	Other Receipts, Interest, &c.	Total Receipts.			
*Bangor Royal School, . .	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Charyestown Royal School, .	—	—	—	—	—	306 12 1	306 12 1	306 12 1
Charyestown Royal School, .	684 13 6	129 19 11	27 18 1	9 14 9	166 12 6	—	166 12 6	—

(b).—PRIVATE

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Athlone School,	8 16 7	—	4 18 4	—	4 18 4	—	7 4 11	—
Clonsilla Grammar School, .	—	178 8 6	0 9 4	1 13 3	380 0 1	308 12 5	688 8 6	380 0 1
Kilmeath Endowment, . .	187 9 4	1 4 3	15 2 1	—	16 6 4	—	343 9 5	189 1 6
Milford,	188 9 4	178 11 10	30 1 5	5 18 5	394 11 9	—	314 1 1	—
Myran and Ballyvaughan Endowment,	—	686 9 9	273 14 4	9 12 0	969 16 1	—	969 16 1	—
Proctor School, Myran, . .	358 4 4	—	25 18 18	4278 8 8	361 7 9	—	610 11 7	—
Ballyvaughan School, . . .	217 17 6	—	27 18 1	**184 8 8	361 10 4	—	1,342 27 1	—

(c).—DIOCESAN

	Cash Balance to Credit, 31st December, 1891.	RECEIPTS.			Balance to Debit on 31st December, 1892.	Total.
		Rents.	Dividends, Interest, &c.	Total.		
Loughlin and Coney,	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Edinurck Diocesan School-house, . .	34 11 7	—	7 6 8	7 6 8	—	108 18 8
West and Arling,	32 0 9	20 0 0	3 7 8	36 7 8	—	88 7 16
West and Arling,	225 14 3	—	16 11 3	26 13 9	—	266 8 8
Trane, Killybeg, and Achery,	202 8 8	—	18 9 10	18 9 10	—	230 10 4
Totals,	594 16 7	36 0 8	42 14 8	84 15 6	—	678 16 8

* This estate is in the hands of a Trustee who receives all income, and, after paying the Ruling Annuity of the late Head Master, applies the balance in discharge of a Crown Debt.

† Includes a sum of £400 invested in purchase of £415 4s. 6d. Government Stock, on February 8, 1892.

‡ Salary of Schoolmaster at Killybeg and Achery School.

EXPENDITURE.

December 31, 1892.

SCHOOL ENDOWMENTS.

Cr.

EXPENDITURE.										
On Estate, Endowments, and School Buildings.				Educational.			Miscellaneous, including Law Costs.	Total Expenditure.	Balance to Credit, Dec. 31, 1891.	Total.
Agents and Salaries Fees.	Repairs, Repainting, Taxes, Insurance, &c.	Real Abatement.	Repairs, Improvements, &c.	Salaries and Allowances.	Scholarships and Prizes.	Amount Distributed to Local Boards.				
\$ s. d.	\$ s. d.	\$ s. d.	\$ s. d.	\$ s. d.	\$ s. d.	\$ s. d.	\$ s. d.	\$ s. d.	\$ s. d.	\$ s. d.
27 1 2	292 16 8	1 8 8	88 8 8	758 11 2	80 0 0	—	33 4 8	1,365 4 4	—	3,205 4 4
28 4 2	52 7 1	12 10 8	4 4 10	122 10 10	—	303 10 8	38 18 1	667 18 11	206 14 10	794 8 10
120 12 2	241 17 8	28 10 8	98 10 1	607 17 8	—	436 18 8	99 17 8	1,706 18 11	202 0 7	1,909 18 8
120 18 2	129 10 4	63 17 8	10 12 8	620 6 8	80 0 0	790 7 7	260 2 8	5,318 5 1	—	5,110 2 1
78 0 4	129 12 8	41 27 8	8 8 8	38 8 8	—	140 0 8	32 10 8	444 10 8	128 5 18	658 8 1
644 14 1	817 8 8	96 18 8	204 8 8	2,790 0 4	200 0 0	1,704 14 11	580 2 8	6,179 5 8	512 8 4	4,796 7 10

ADMINISTERED BY THE COMMISSIONERS
SCHOOLS.

EXPENDITURE.										
On Estate, Endowments, or School Premises.				Educational.		Law Costs.	Miscellaneous Disbursements.	Total Expenditure.	Balance to Credit, Dec. 31, 1891.	Total.
Agents and Salaries.	Repairs, Repainting, Taxes, Insurance, &c.	Real Abatement.	Repairs and Improvements.	Teachers' Salaries.	Prizes.					
\$ s. d.	\$ s. d.	\$ s. d.	\$ s. d.	\$ s. d.	\$ s. d.	\$ s. d.	\$ s. d.	\$ s. d.	\$ s. d.	\$ s. d.
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	208 12 1
21 8 8	11 5 8	—	21 10 0	—	—	—	1400 14 8	426 1 4	607 2 4	807 8 8

SCHOOLS.

\$ s. d.	\$ s. d.	\$ s. d.	\$ s. d.	\$ s. d.	\$ s. d.	\$ s. d.	\$ s. d.	\$ s. d.	\$ s. d.	\$ s. d.
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	7 4 11	7 4 11	—	7 4 11
28 8 8	68 8 11	42 8 8	5 8 8	—	—	17 7 8	90 8 8	268 8 10	—	618 8 8
—	11 1 11	—	—	—	—	—	0 8 4	11 18 8	128 1 8	140 8 8
—	16 12 4	—	66 8 11	120 11 8	—	—	5 12 1	228 0 10	79 14 2	318 1 1
44 8 1	100 14 8	22 12 8	0 12 2	250 0 0	8 0 8	—	1560 1 8	326 18 1	—	388 18 1
—	68 8 8	—	—	61 8 1	—	—	9167 0 8	301 12 1	296 18 8	318 11 7
—	28 14 7	—	4 12 8	145 14 11	—	—	14404 15 8	984 2 2	425 14 10	1,469 17 1

SCHOOLS.

	Cash Salaries to Date on 31st December, 1891.	EXPENDITURE.			Balance to Credit, 31st December, 1891.	Total.
		Income Tax, &c.	Miscellaneous.	Total Expenditure.		
	\$ s. d.	\$ s. d.	\$ s. d.	\$ s. d.	\$ s. d.	\$ s. d.
Lighting and Caring,	—	8 1 8	0 8 8	8 0 8	186 14 10	194 15 8
Ulsterick Diocesan School-houses,	—	—	0 12 8	0 12 8	41 17 8	41 7 10
Meath and Ardagh,	—	8 8 8	0 8 7	0 7 8	218 14 8	226 8 8
Truro, Kildale, and Achery,	—	0 4 4	0 4 1	0 8 5	250 1 11	250 15 4
—	—	8 8 8	0 12 10	1 0 8	685 18 8	691 1 8

1 Includes a sum of £200 to £14, of which £140 to £14, was paid to King's Hospital, £200 to £14, was placed to credit of St. Mary's School, and £200 to £14, was placed to credit of St. Mary's School.

2 Includes £200 to £14, placed to credit of St. Mary's School, as above.

3 Includes £100 to £14, placed to credit of St. Mary's School, as above.

4 Includes £100 to £14, placed to credit of St. Mary's School, as above.

5 Includes £100 to £14, placed to credit of St. Mary's School, as above.

6 Includes £100 to £14, placed to credit of St. Mary's School, as above.

7 Includes £100 to £14, placed to credit of St. Mary's School, as above.

APPENDIX C.

REPORTS OF THE LOCAL BOARDS.

I.—ANNUAL REPORT OF THE ARMAH PROTESTANT BOARD OF EDUCATION for the year 1891-1892.
TO THE COMMISSIONERS OF EDUCATION IN IRELAND.

In accordance with Section 48 of the Scheme framed under the Educational Endowments (Ireland) Act, 1883, for the future government and management of the Endowments of the Ulster Royal Schools, we, the Armagh Protestant Board of Education, beg to submit the following Report of our proceedings during the year 1891-1892.

The first meeting of our Board was held on June 9th, 1891, when all the members of the Board appointed under the Scheme attended and accepted their office. His Grace the Lord Primate was elected Chairman; the Rev. John Elliott, Vice-Chairman; and Mr. Strong, Hon. Secretary.

The Hon. Secretary was directed to advertise for a Head Master.

At a meeting of our Board, held on July 14th, 1891, the Lord Primate was elected a Commissioner of Education, and Mr. St. George, Mr. McCrum, and Mr. Strong were elected members of the Estates Committee. Several applications for the office of Head Master having been considered, Mr. Thomas Gordon was unanimously elected, subject to terms to be subsequently defined, and a Committee of the Board was appointed to consider this matter and to confer with the Head Master upon it.

On July 21st the above mentioned Committee reported as follows:—

"We are of opinion that in appointing a Head Master we can offer him no salary at present, but only the premises, and that whatever resources are available from the School property should be devoted, after paying the rent, first, to paying the taxes, and secondly, to keeping the fabric in repair. We think that the premises should be under the control of the Head Master, to be used by him for school purposes, the Board reserving to themselves for a lease term the first room on the right of the passage from the entrance."

"We think that the fees payable by day boys should be £10 per annum, and for that sum instruction should be given in English, Mathematics, Latin, and French; but that in the case of day boys, Greek, Drawing, and German should be extra subjects, for each of which £1 50s. per annum should be charged."

"We think that the fees payable by Boarders should be £20 per annum, except in cases where brothers are boarding at the School at the same time, when the fees should be reduced to £10 per annum each for every brother after the first."

"For the above fees Boarders should be instructed in all the above-mentioned subjects except Drawing, but Medical Attendance, Washing, Darning, and Dull should be charged as extras."

"An entrance fee of two guineas should be charged."

"Fees should be paid quarterly in advance."

"We think that in the event of the Head Master resigning, he should give the Board six months' notice."

"The power of appointing and dismissing Assistant Masters, and of fixing the number of such masters to be employed, should rest in the Head Master. But the Board should reserve to itself the right to interfere if it considers that the School is being opened by the way in which this power is being exercised."

The above Report having been adopted by our Board, Mr. Gordon stated that it embodied the terms upon which he was willing to accept the Headmastership.

It was then further resolved that there should be two vacations in the year amounting together to about 12 weeks.

The following resolution was then unanimously adopted:—

"That this Board resolves to take over formally, at the earliest moment when empowered to do so, the Armagh Royal School, and to interest the Commissioners of Education in their intention to do so, with the confident expectation that no obstacles will be placed in the way of their use of the Premises during the interim."

On the 16th August, Dr. Morgan, not having completed his arrangements for his resignation of the Head Mastership, presented, on the application of our Board, to place Mr. Gordon in occupation of the Royal School premises in the capacity of caretaker for him, and at a meeting of our Board held on September 1st, 1891, the Lord Primate stated that he had received and accepted Dr. Morgan's resignation on behalf of the Commissioners of Education.

Mr. Gordon then, in his capacity of caretaker for Dr. Morgan, surrendered the school premises to the Lord Primate, but was at once appointed by him caretaker for the Commissioners of Education.

It was resolved that an appeal should be issued to the public asking for funds to enable our Board to meet the rent which would be payable for the school premises when formally handed over to us. A circular has been opened accordingly, donations and promises of annual subscriptions have been received, and an account has been opened with the Bank of Ireland. Our Board hopes to obtain more considerable contributions as soon as our claims under Section 53 of the Scheme have been decided by the Commissioners of Education, as we shall then be able to place before the public a distinct statement of our income and liabilities, accompanied by a definite plan for attaining the object in view.

At subsequent meetings on September 22nd and November 3rd, steps were taken to obtain legal advice and the evidence of experts, with a view to establishing our claims under Section 53 of the Scheme.

Our Board were heard by Counsel before a Committee of the Commissioners of Education in support of the above-mentioned claims on May 26th, 1892. No decision, however, has yet been given in the case.

Some legal expenses have been incurred in the above-mentioned matter, and there have been some minor expenses, principally connected with the issue of advertisements for a Head Master. All these we hope to discharge as soon as the Commissioners of Education shall be able to send us a remittance from the money received from the school estates. We have hitherto received no money from this source.

Mr. Gordon continues in occupation of the Royal School premises as caretaker for the Commissioners of Education, and has been able in them to maintain an efficient School, thus preventing any lapse in the continued existence of the old Royal School of Armagh.

At the close of the period covered by this Report, he had obtained the help of the following gentlemen as assistant masters:—K. H. Bird, B.A., late open Scholar of Sidney Sussex Coll., Camb., Resident Mathematical Master; E. L. Fisher, late Examiner to the Intermediate Education Board, German and Drawing Master; and S. McKinn, Gold Medallist English Departments of Science and Art, South Kensington; and further assistance has since been obtained.

On the 3rd of September, 1891, when the School opened under Mr. Gordon's management, the number of boarders was four, and the number of day pupils, fifteen.

On the 30th of June, 1892 (which closes the period covered by this Report), the number of boarders was twelve, and the number of day pupils, twenty.

We have every reason to hope for a steady increase in both classes of scholars, the total numbers having already risen to fifty.

Read and adopted.

ROBT. ARMAH, Chairman.

II.—ANNUAL REPORT OF THE ARMAH ROMAN CATHOLIC LOCAL BOARD for the year 1891-92.

The Presbytery, Armagh,
13th October, 1892.

DEAR SIR,

I now beg to submit the following as the Annual Report of this Board:—

The Armagh Roman Catholic Local Board held its first meeting on Tuesday, 9th day of June, 1891. At that meeting each of the members present signed the required declaration of acceptance of membership. Most Rev. Dr. Logue, Lord Primate, was elected Chairman; William Gallagher, Esq., Vice-Chairman; and Rev. Henry McNeice, Honorary Secretary. Very Rev. Canon Coyne, S.P., Keady, and Frank J. O'Hanlon, S.P., Portadown, were co-opted members to replace Very Rev. Canon Kelly, deceased, and William O'Shaughnessy, Esq., resigned. His Grace Most Rev. Dr. Logue, Primate, was elected Commissioner of Education to represent the Armagh Roman Catholic Local Board.

Subsequently meetings were regularly held as prescribed by the Scheme. The business transacted at those meetings was—(1), the election of William Gallagher, Esq., E. McCann, Esq., S.P., and Very Rev. Canon Coyne, as representatives of this Board on the Armagh Estates Committee; (2), the co-opting of Patrick Lavery, Esq., Solicitor, Armagh, in place of Surgeon-Major Philip Lavery, S.P., deceased; (3), the attaching of the common seal, and signature of members, of the Armagh Roman Catholic Local Board to documents dealing with certain trusts in connection with the Rainey Schools, Magherafelt, vested in the Armagh Roman Catholic Local Board.

Account book, minute book, and common seal have been provided from funds kindly advanced by His Grace the Primate, Most Rev. Dr. Logue.

The Armagh Roman Catholic Local Board has not received any cash under the Endowment, and therefore has no accounts to be furnished to the Commissioners except an account of the debt due to His Grace the Primate for the books above mentioned, common seal, &c., the items of which His Grace knowing, I presume, that the Board possesses no funds, has omitted to supply.

Our next meeting has been fixed to be held in the usual place of meeting, St. Patrick's College, on Friday, 21st inst.

This is the only information which I can furnish of the proceedings of the Armagh Roman Catholic Local Board under the Scheme.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,

HENRY MCNEICE, Adm., Honorary Secretary.

The Secretary,

The Commissioners of Education in Ireland.

III.—THE CAVAN PROTESTANT LOCAL BOARD OF EDUCATION.

REPORT 1891-92.

The first meeting of the Cavan Protestant Local Board of Education was held on 13th June, 1891.

The following members present who signed the required declaration:—

The Lord Bishop of Kilmore, appointed Chairman, James Hartley, Esq., appointed Vice-Chairman, Rev. William C. McCausland, appointed Hon. Sec. The Cavan Branch of the Ulster Bank was appointed as ex-
sar Bank.

Dr. Trellis, F.R.C.D., appointed Commissioner. Advertisements for Head Master ordered.

Present.—The Lord Bishop—Rev. William H. Hutchinson, M.A., Rev. John L. Goss, Robert Walker, Richard Allen, Samuel Sanderson, James Hartley, W. C. McCausland.

July 1st, 1891.—The second meeting held to consider the applications for Head Master.

Henry Thompson, Esq., Manager of the Bank of Ireland, Cavan, was appointed Auditor.

All the members were present except Rev. Samuel Patrick.

July 15th, 1891.—A letter was read from the Rev. Samuel Patrick resigning his seat on the Board owing to ill health, and a letter was read from Rev. W. Todd Martin, Convener of the General Assembly's Committee on Education, notifying that the General Assembly had elected Rev. Wm. McDowell, of Cavan, to fill the vacancy. Mr. McDowell having signed the declaration was declared duly elected.

Messrs. Samuel Sanderson, James Hartley, and Richard Allen were elected the Estates Committee.

ELECTION OF HEAD MASTER.

The following Minute from Minute Book:

"That Mr. Hampton be called before the Board and informed of his appointment under the following conditions, viz.—That while we, the Cavan Protestant Local Board of Education, believe we shall be able to give £100 a year to the Head Master, with house and land free of rent and taxes—the house to be kept in repair by the Board—with £20 a year to his Assistant Master, yet we do not bind ourselves, nor are we to be considered bound, by these terms, as we are not in a position or state with positive certainty the future income that shall be at our disposal."

To these terms Mr. Hampton agreed, and was duly elected Head Master of Cavan Royal School.

All the members were present.

July 27th, 1891.—All the members present except Messrs. Samuel Sanderson and Robert Walker.

A letter from the Commissioners of Education stating that on 20th June, 1891, sums amounting to £2,305 18s. 5d. new estate, and £1,545 8s. cash, stood to credit of Cavan School Endowment.

The following scale of fees agreed to:—

Boards.—Under 13 years of age, £44 a year.

Over 13 years, £48 a year.

These terms are inclusive of every expense except German, drawing, shorthand, music books.

Day Boys.—Under 13 years, 6 guineas a year.

Over 13 years, 8 guineas a year.

Special terms may be arranged with the Head Master for boys only requiring an English and commercial education—10 per cent. reduction on both boarders and day pupils in case of brothers.

Vacation.—Seven weeks in Summer, three at Christmas, and one at Easter.

"The Cavan Protestant Local Board are prepared to take the Premises of the Royal School, Cavan, on the terms stated in clause 64 of Scheme."

December 11th, 1891.—The following were present:—The Lord Bishop, chair; Richard Allen, Rev. William McDowell; Rev. W. C. McCauland, Hon. Sec. The following accounts were ordered to be paid:—

Advertisements for Head Master, stationary, &c., £4 9s. 6d.; James Hampton, for ten new bedsteads, £12 10s.; school requisites purchased at Mr. Moore's auction, £12 17s. 9d.; Thomas McGurke, work done at school, £1 5s.

The appointment of Mr. Johnston as Assistant Master was confirmed.

December 29th, 1891.—The following were present:—The Lord Bishop in chair; Messrs. Allen, Walker, W. C. McCauland, Hon. Sec.

Estimate for 83 yards of pipes to convey water to w.c., sculleries, &c.; fixing same, £14 13s. 4d.; repairing lavatory basin, &c., £1 10s., were approved of.

February 24th, 1892.—The following present:—Rev. William McDowell in chair; Richard Allen, Esq., William C. McCauland, Hon. Sec.

A sum of £110 15s. 4d. was lodged to the credit of Board by Commissioners of Education in Ireland.

J. Johnston, Assistant Master, half year's salary, £25; J. Hampton, Head Master, half year's salary, £30; County cess, £5 12s.; Town Improvement, £5 13s. 6d.; Poor Rate, £10 9s. 4d.; J. Johnston Nilbrook, for work done at school, £6 6s. 6d.; William Mathews, painting, &c., £7 7s. 6d.; cash paid by Mr. Hampton, new grate, &c., £2.

The above sums ordered to be paid.

May 30th, 1892.—The following present:—Rev. John L. Goss in chair; Rev. William McDowell, Robert Walker, Esq.; William C. McCauland, Hon. Sec.

Payment of premium on policy for £4,000 on school premises approved, amount £3.

Mr. Johnston's half year's salary to be paid 1st July.

Four stated yearly meetings to be held in future, viz.:—First Tuesday in February; first Tuesday in May; first Tuesday in August; and first Tuesday in November. Owing to the different denominations of pupils it was decided that religious instruction be confined to the Scriptures only.

The Ulster Bank has allowed an overdraft to meet our liabilities.

WILLIAM C. McCauland, Hon. Sec.

July 29th, 1892.

COPY OF LAST AUDITED ACCOUNT OF CAVAN PROTESTANT LOCAL BOARD OF EDUCATION.

1891.	RECEIVED.	£ s. d.	1892.	PAYD.	£ s. d.
Feb. 5.	Commissioners of Education,	110 15 4	Dec. 13.	Rev. W. C. McCauland, for Advertisements, Postage, &c.,	4 9 6
" "	Balance due Ulster Bank,	30 1 4	" 21.	Mr. Hampton for things bought at W. Moore's sale,	12 12 8
			" "	Mr. Johnston, Assistant Master, half-year's salary,	25 0 0
			" "	Mr. Hampton, for 10 new bedsteads, &c., for School,	12 10 0
			" "	Thomas McGurke, for work at School,	1 5 0
			Feb. 14.	Wm. H. Morris, for Plumber's work at School,	16 9 4
			" "	James Hampton, esp., half-year's salary,	30 0 0
			" 18.	Poor Rate on School premises,	10 4 4
			" "	Town Improvement Rate,	5 13 6
			" "	Mr. Hampton, refund for Cess paid by him,	2 0 0
			" "	Johnston Nilbrook, for work at School,	6 6 6
			" "	William Mathews, Painting, Papering, &c., at School,	7 7 6
			" "	County Cess,	5 12 0
			April 7.	Insurance on School Premises,	9 0 0
			June 23.	Income Tax,	2 0 0
			" 30.	County Cess,	5 12 6
			" "	Mr. Johnston, Assistant Master, half-year's salary,	25 0 0
			" "	Oblique-bank	6 6 4
			" "	Interest on Overdraft,	6 6 6
		£ 110 15 10			£ 110 15 10

Audited and compared with Bank Book, and found to be correct.

August 4th, 1892.

[Seal.]

H. THOMPSON, Auditor.

Wm. C. McCauland, Hon. Secretary.

IV.—REPORT of the CAVAN ROMAN CATHOLIC LOCAL BOARD of EDUCATION for the year 1891-1892.

(Transcribed from Minute Book of above Board.)

A meeting of above Board was convened for Wednesday, June 10th, 1891, by a letter dated June 2nd, and signed by the following:—The Most Rev. Dr. McGennis, Bishop of Kilmore; the Very Rev. John O'Connor, P.P. and V.P.; the Rev. Michael Fitzpatrick, P.P.; Philip Smith, Esq., J.P.; John Gannon, Esq., J.P.

The place of meeting was St. Patrick's College.

The business of meeting was business specified in Section 30 of Scheme, and to elect a Commissioner.

On Wednesday, June 10th, the following members attended and signed a declaration of acceptance of office of member:—The Most Rev. Dr. McGennis, Bishop of Kilmore; the Very Rev. Dr. O'Reilly, P.P. and V.P.; the Very Rev. John O'Connor, P.P. and V.P.; the Very Rev. Charles O'Reilly, P.P. and V.P.; the Rev. Michael Fitzpatrick, P.P.; Philip Smith, Esq., J.P.; Thomas Markey, Esq., J.P.; Patrick Kane, Esq., J.P.; and John Gannon, Esq., J.P.

Proposed by the Very Rev. Dr. O'Reilly, and seconded by Philip Smith, Esq.—That the Most Rev. Dr. McGennis, Bishop of Kilmore, be Chairman of the Cavan Roman Catholic Local Board of Education. Carried unanimously.

Proposed by the Very Rev. Dr. O'Reilly, and seconded by Thomas Markey, Esq.—That Philip Smith, Esq., J.P., be Vice-Chairman of said Board. Passed unanimously.

Proposed by the Very Rev. Dr. O'Reilly, and seconded by John Gannon, Esq.—That the Rev. Michael Fitzpatrick, P.P., be Hon. Sec. of said Board. Passed unanimously.

Proposed by Philip Smith, Esq., and seconded by John Gannon, Esq.—That His Grace Most Rev. Dr. Walsh, Archbishop of Dublin, be elected Commissioner of Education. Passed unanimously.

Proposed by John Gannon, Esq., and seconded by the Very Rev. John O'Connor—That we recognise St. Patrick's College, Cavan, as the Catholic Intermediate School of the District. Passed unanimously.

Proposed by Patrick Kane, Esq., and seconded by the Very Rev. John O'Connor—That the Most Rev. Dr. McGennis, Bishop of Kilmore; Very Rev. Charles O'Reilly, P.P. and V.P.; Rev. Michael Fitzpatrick, Rev. Hugh Brady, Rev. Joseph Meenan, and Rev. John McGannon, be appointed a School Committee. Passed unanimously.

Thursday, 3rd September, was fixed for next day of ordinary meeting. The minutes of above were signed by the Most Rev. Dr. McGennis, Chairman, at a Special Meeting held 30th July, 1891.

20th July, 1891.—A special meeting to elect an Estates Committee. Present—The Most Rev. Dr. McGennis (presiding); the Very Rev. Charles O'Reilly, Philip Smith, Esq., John Gannon, Esq., the Rev. Michael Fitzpatrick.

Resolved unanimously—That the Rev. Charles O'Reilly, the Rev. Michael Fitzpatrick, Philip Smith, Esq., and John Gannon, Esq., be elected as an Estates Committee to represent the Cavan Roman Catholic Local Board.

The minutes of above meeting were signed at next meeting, 3rd September, 1891.

3rd September, 1891.—Ordinary meeting of Board. Present—The Most Rev. Dr. McGennis (presiding); Philip Smith, Esq., Thomas Markey, Esq., John Gannon, Esq.; the Rev. Michael Fitzpatrick, Hon. Sec.

The following resolutions were passed unanimously:—

1. That the sum of £3,607 11s. 3d., set apart as a Building Fund, be invested by the Commissioners, and the income thereof be applied for the purpose of the Roman Catholic Local Board.

2. That we select the Ulster Bank, Cavan, for the transaction of the business of the Board.

Minutes signed by Philip Smith, Esq., at next meeting, November 26th, 1891.

November 26th, 1891.—Ordinary Quarterly Meeting. Present—Philip Smith, Esq., J.P., in the Chair; the Rev. Charles O'Reilly, and Thomas Markey, Esq., J.P.

No special business transacted. Above signed at next Meeting, 23rd February, 1892.

23rd February, 1892.—Ordinary Quarterly Meeting. Present—The Most Rev. Dr. McGennis, presiding; the Rev. Michael Fitzpatrick, Philip Smith, Esq., Thomas Markey, Esq.

Passed unanimously—That the present Chairman, the Most Rev. Dr. McGennis, and present Vice-Chairman, Philip Smith, Esq., be respectively Chairman and Vice-Chairman for the year 1892.

The Hon. Sec. read for the Board a communication from the Commissioners of Education, informing the Board that a sum of £110 15s. 4d. was lodged in Ulster Bank, Cavan, to the credit of the Cavan Catholic Local Board.

It was then unanimously resolved:

1. To allocate this money to the payment of salary at the rate of £105 per annum to the Rev. Joseph Meenan, Professor of Greek, and the Rev. John McGannon, Professor of Latin, in the Cavan Roman Catholic Intermediate School.

2. That every Member of the Board be authorised to sign cheques.

3. That as a vacancy has occurred by the lamented death of John Gannon, Esq., William Finlay, Esq., Chairman of the Cavan Town Commissioners, be co-opted as a Lay Member of the Board.

4. That William Finlay, Esq., Chairman of Cavan Town Commissioners, be elected a Member of the Estates Committee in place of the late John Gannon, Esq.

On February 26th, 1892, Mr. Finlay declared his acceptance of office of Member by signing his name in Minute Book. Above signed at next meeting, May 14th, 1892.

May 26th, 1892.—Quarterly Meeting. Present—The Most Rev. Dr. McGennis, Bishop of Kilmore, in the Chair; the Very Rev. Dr. O'Reilly, P.P. and V.P., the Very Rev. Charles O'Reilly, P.P., V.P., the Rev. Michael Fitzpatrick, P.P., Philip Smith, Esq., William Finlay, Esq., Chairman, Town Commissioners, Cavan.

A correspondence with Commissioners was read, by which it appeared that the income of £3,607 11s. 3d. Government Stock, the building fund, should be paid to the Roman Catholic Board.

It was unanimously resolved—That said income should be employed in giving free education to a certain number of students.

Above minutes signed at next meeting, 25th July, 1892.

25th July, 1892.—Quarterly Meeting. Present—The Most Rev. Dr. McGinnis, Lord Bishop of Kilmore, presiding; the Very Rev. Dr. O'Reilly, P.P. and V.A., the Very Rev. John O'Connor, P.P., V.A., the Rev. Michael Fitzpatrick, P.P., Philip Smith, Esq., J.P., Patrick Kane, Esq., J.P.

By a letter read from the Commissioners, the Board was informed that a sum of £17 8s. 5d., divided upon the building fund, had been lodged in Ulster Bank to the credit of the Board. Receipts for this amount, and for £116 15s. 4d., formerly received, were then forwarded to the Commissioners.

[Seal]

Signed,

✠ EDWARD MCGINNIS, Chairman.
MICHAEL FITZPATRICK, Secretary.

4th October, 1892.

CAVAN CATHOLIC LOCAL BOARD OF EDUCATION IN ACCOUNT WITH ULSTER
BANK (LIMITED), CAVAN.

Dr.						Cr.
1891.			£ s. d.	1891.		£ s. d.
February 21.	To Cheque Book,	.	0 0 4	February 2.	By Cash,	10 11 4
" 26.	To Cheque Book	.	60 0 0	" 20.	By Interest on Account,	0 0 1
" 28.	" 1891,	.	60 0 0			
" 29.	To Balance,	.	10 10 1			
			130 10 5			10 11 5
August 21.	To Balance,	.	25 4 7	February 21.	By Balance,	11 10 4
				July 4.	By Cash,	17 0 0
				August 2.	"	14 10 0
				" 21.	By Interest on Account,	0 0 1
				" 30.	By Balance,	13 4 7
			25 4 7			25 4 7

A. R. NORTON, Manager,
Cavan Branch.

[Seal]

Examined and found correct,
MICHAEL FITZPATRICK, Hon. Sec.

V.—ANNUAL REPORT of the TYRONE PROTESTANT BOARD of EDUCATION for 1891-92.

Dungannon, September 16th, 1891.

MY LORDS AND GENTLEMEN,

The members appointed to form the Tyrone Protestant Board of Education held their first meeting in the Courthouse, Dungannon, on the 15th June, 1891.

A letter was received from the Hon. Sec. of the Armagh Diocesan Council intimating that the Rev. Lewis Richards, D.D., and James A. Dickinson, Esq., had been elected to represent the Diocesan Council in the room of Colonel J. C. J. Lowry, V.A., and the Ven. Archdeacon Meade, D.D., resigned.

These gentlemen, with the others, now signed the following declaration in a book kept for the purpose:—

"We hereby severally declare the acceptance by each of us of the office of Member of the Local Board of the Tyrone Protestant Board of Education this 15th of June, 1891.

JAMES BYRNE.
JAMES BROWN.
WM. WILSON.
W. J. FERGUSON.
H. H. WILSON.

JAMES DICKINSON.
T. H. ADKIN.
LEWIS RICHARDS.
JAMES A. DICKINSON."

The members now proceeded to elect Mr. James Brown as Chairman, Mr. James A. Dickinson as Vice-Chairman, and Mr. Richard Love as Hon. Secretary, and the Rev. James B. Dougherty, M.A., as Commissioner to represent the Board in Dublin.

Arrangements were made to have a Conference with the Roman Catholic Board as to the best mode of disposal of the Dungannon Royal School premises, and a Committee was appointed to meet a similar Committee of the Roman Catholic Board for this purpose.

This Joint Committee met first on the 21st June, 1891. The Very Rev. Dean Byrne, P.P., being elected Chairman; the views of both sides were freely expressed, and a most amicable spirit shown, but I regret to report that after several conferences the results were fruitless.

On the 28th January, 1892, His Grace the Most Rev. Dr. Logan and Professor Dougherty, who had been deputed by the Commissioners to meet the Joint Board, and if possible effect a satisfactory settlement, met at the Royal School, and having heard the views of both Boards, retired for consultation, and after this proposed:—"That the Protestant Board give the Roman Catholic Board £1,700 and the garden of Royal School, and obtain for them a field adjoining the premises (called Stuart's Field)." This proposal was accepted by my Board, and negotiations were entered into with Mr. de Castro Stuart for its purchase. By bringing considerable influence to bear, and pointing out the benefits likely to result in the matter of education, Mr. Stuart was at length induced to consent to the sale of the field, and instructions were given to proceed to make out title. Owing to the Stuart Estate being in the hands of trustees, the involved nature of title, loose description of premises, sundry charges requiring release, this has been rather a tedious process. However, my Board pressed the solicitors to hasten the conveyance with all speed.

After my Board had accepted the proposal of your deputation, and being assured by His Grace Dr. Legue that we "might proceed, as far as the Roman Catholics were concerned"—called for contracts for putting the buildings and sanitary arrangements in repair, a request to the Commissioners to that effect having been refused.

Estates Committee—Sept. 28, 1891.—In accordance with section 46, the following members of my Board, viz.:—Mr. James Dickson, Mr. William Wilson, and W. J. Venable, were elected as an Estates Committee, and have had several conferences with a similar Committee of the Roman Catholic Board.

Finance—Feb. 6, 1892.—My Board opened an account with the office of the Provincial Bank of Ireland, Limited, here, and received to credit from the Commissioners the sum of £368 8s. 4d. as our share of Endowment up to 31st December, 1891.

Acting Committee—Feb. 8, 1892.—The following members were appointed under section 47:—James Brown, Esq., James A. Dickinson, Esq., and James Dickson, Esq. (with Rev. Dr. Richards when Mr. Dickinson is unable), to carry out any details of the Board's business.

Head Master—Feb. 22nd, 1892.—My Board advertised for Head Master, and after considering very numerous applications (67), from England, Ireland, and Scotland, unanimously elected Mr. Robert Foster Dill, M.A., Oxon, to the Head Mastership of Dungannon Royal School, my Board having decided to adopt this School under classes 24 and 57, and to assist and maintain it, in the meantime, until it can be ascertained exactly what funds are at disposal, and in the confident hope that the School will be such a success financially as to make my Board feel at liberty to assist other qualified schools in our district.

Free Places—May 1st, 1892. Sec. 59.—Advertisements were inserted in the county papers, and circulars placed in the hands of the Inspectors of National Schools in the district, announcing a competitive examination in connection with them, to be held in Dungannon at the latter end of October, 1892.

No further business was transacted by my Board up to the 30th June.

I have the honour to remain,

My Lords and Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

RICHARD LOVE,

Hon. Sec.

VI.—ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TYRONE ROMAN CATHOLIC BOARD OF EDUCATION, for the year ended 30th JUNE, 1892.

TO THE COMMISSIONERS OF EDUCATION IN IRELAND.

During the period, 18th June, 1891, to 30th June, 1892, this Board held seven meetings:

1. Thursday, 18th June, 1891.
2. Thursday, 30th July, 1891.
3. Wednesday, 9th September, 1891.
4. Wednesday, 21st October, 1891.
5. Thursday, 25th January, 1892.
6. Thursday, 25th February, 1892.
7. Monday, 17th June, 1892:—

An Intermediate Day School was established by this Board in Dungannon on the 31st October, 1891; a Head Master appointed at £120 a year: and the school named *St. Patrick's Academy*.

Nineteen boys have been in daily attendance, of whom a few competed at the Intermediate Board Examinations in June.

One pupil, John McNally, passed with honours in six subjects in the Preparatory Grade, coming within a few marks of an Exhibition.

In conjunction with the Tyrone Protestant Board of Education an Estates Committee was formed of three members from each Board which considered the affairs of the Estate at three meetings, and found no cause for complaint.

A public competitive examination of boys from National Schools in the District for Exhibitions or free places amounting to £20, was held under the auspices of the Inspector of National Schools; and free places to that amount given to the most successful competitors.

The sum of £268 8s. 4d. was placed to the credit of this Board by the Commissioners on the 5th February, 1892, as its share of the income of the Estate, then payable, and payments therefrom were made, of all which the following is an abstract to 30th June, 1892:—

1891.	Cr.	£ s. d.
Feb. 5,	By Amount received from the Commissioners,	368 8 4
1892.	Dr.	£ s. d.
June 20,	To 9 months' salary paid Head Master in this date,	90 0 0
"	To furniture and painting of school,	15 3 8
"	To " Minutes" and " Acceptance of Office" Books,	1 5 0
"	To postage stamps and stationery,	0 10 0
"	To rent of school,	5 0 0
"	To Exhibitions or Free Places.—Competitive examination,	25 0 0
"	To advertising for examination, &c.,	1 18 6
		171 15 6

Leaving balance remaining in the Provincial Bank, Dungannon, to the credit of this Board on 30th June, 1892, £186 25 10

An audited abstract of the account shall be sent to the Commissioners in a few days.

We cannot close this Report without expressing our deep dissatisfaction at the disappointment and delay caused by the non-fulfilment on the part of the Tyrone Protestant Board of Education of the Agreement entered into on the 28th day of January last, in reference to the disposal of Dungannon Royal School buildings and premises.

Dated this 30th day of October, 1892.

Signed,

P. J. BRYNE, Vice-Chairman.
HENRY TONNALL, Hon. Sec.

VII.—REPORT OF FERMANAGH PROTESTANT BOARD OF EDUCATION for Year ending 30th JUNE, 1892.

The Board reports that it held its first meeting on 25th May, 1891, and that altogether ten meetings have been held during the period embraced under this Report.

One of the first duties the Board had to discharge was the settlement of Rev. Dr. Steele's claim for fixtures, &c., in Portora Royal School. This gave rise to a lengthened correspondence with Dr. Steele and others, but ultimately the Board paid him the sum of £24 12s. 4d. in settlement of his claim.

The Board took over the Portora Royal School premises on the terms of the Scheme; paid the sum of £1,000 on account of their purchase, and appointed the following teaching staff under which the School has attained a high state of proficiency:—Rev. W. B. Lindsay, M.A., D.D., V.C.D., Head Master; W. J. Valentine, M.A., V.C.D.; William Hall, M.A., V.C.D.; H. J. Mander, R. J. Bourke, M.A., B.U.I.; W. N. Tetley, B.A., St. Catherine's College, Cambridge; S. B. Smith, W. G. Pontet, assistants.

The Board arranged that a uniform education fee of six pounds per annum should be charged to all pupils (except free-boys), and that the Head Master should hand over these fees to the Board to aid it in paying masters' salaries and other expenses.

The attendance at the School has been large during the year, and in the last quarter eighty-two boarders and thirty-eight day boys (of whom one was a free boy) were in attendance.

The Board has pleasure in stating that a handsome brass tablet has been erected in the School in memory of the late Hon. J. W. Quinton, Commissioner of the Province of Assam, India, a distinguished former pupil of the School, by a number of his friends; that the same persons have founded an annual "Quinton Memorial Prize," and that John Broadbent, Esq., M.A. (another former scholar) Inspector of Schools, Madras, has also presented an annual prize.

Owing to the comparatively small sum placed by the Commissioners of Education at the Board's disposal for the period under review it was found impossible to finance the School at the exceptionally low educational fee fixed at the commencement of the Board's operations; and consequently it has been recently decided that all new entrants to the Boarding Department shall pay £8 10s. a year for their tuition. The Board, believing that the boys of the locality have a special claim on the Endowment, retains the fee for them for the present at the former figure—£6 a year.

As the large separate building known as the "Examination Hall" was not kept in good repair for some years past, and as the Commissioners would not allow any of the money specially voted for repairs in 1890 to be spent on it, the Board has discovered serious dilapidations therein which now occasion considerable outlay.

The Board sends herewith an abstract of account up till 31st December, 1891, as required by the Scheme.

Signed and sealed by order of the Board at its meeting held at Banblish, this 31st day of August, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Ninety-two.

CHARLES M. CLOUGH, Chairman.

EDWARD SMYTH, }
WILLIAM PARKER, } Other Members.

[Seal.]

EDUCATIONAL ENDOWMENTS (IRELAND) ACT, 1885.

48 & 49 Vict., ch. 72.

THE ACCOUNT OF THE FERMANAGH PROTESTANT BOARD OF EDUCATION for the period ended 31st December, 1891

Cr.		Dr.	
CHARGE.	£ s. d.	DISBURSE.	£ s. d.
To Balance, as per last Account,	—	By receipt of payments made in the period ended 31st December, 1891, under the following headings:—	
• Amount of Donations received in the period ended 31st December, 1891,	1,000 27 0	Salaries,	286 11 6
• Amount of Fees received in the period ended 31st December, 1891,	248 19 0	Fines,	0 0 0
		Other payments, viz.:—	
		Commissioners of Education (granted as apportion of Portora Royal School Purchase),	1,000 0 0
		Rev. Dr. Steele for fixtures in Portora Royal School,	24 12 4
		Commons Road,	4 4 0
		Petty Cash Account—Stationery and Accounts Books, Copying Press, Stationery, Printing, Postage, &c.,	7 8 6
		Total Payments,	1,397 11 6
		Balance per Bank Book,	251 19 11
		Do. in Accounting Officer's hand,	2 13 0
		Balance in favour of this account on 31st December, 1891,	—
Total,	£ 1,298 7 0	Total,	£ 1,397 11 6

N.B.—This account only covers the period from the passing of the Scheme, 25th May, 1891, till 31st December, 1891.

We certify that the above is a true account.

[Seal.]

CHAR. M. CLOUGH, Governor, Chairman.

S. CURRANT MITCHELL, Accounting Officer, Secretary.

Dated this 4th day of September, 1892.

I certify that the foregoing account is correct.

JAMES FRANCIS MATTHEW, Auditor.

10th day of September, 1892.

VIII.—FIRST ANNUAL REPORT OF THE FREEMANAGH ROMAN CATHOLIC BOARD OF EDUCATION for the year ending the 30th day of JUNE, 1892.

TO THE COMMISSIONERS OF EDUCATION IN IRELAND.

MY LORDS AND GENTLEMEN,

In accordance with section 48 of the Scheme for the management of the Royal School Endowments, we have the honour to submit to you the first Annual Report of the Freemanagh Roman Catholic Board of Education.

Five meetings of the Board have been held within the past year, four of them being ordinary meetings, and one an extraordinary meeting. Of these, four were held in St. Macarten's Seminary, Monaghan, and one at Eniskillen.

The first meeting was held on 17th June, 1891, all the members who were qualified, and willing to act, being present. The Most Rev. James Donnelly, *s.r.*, Roman Catholic Bishop of Clogher, was appointed Chairman; the Rev. Archdeacon Sumell, *r.p.*, of Eniskillen, Vice-Chairman; D. Carolan Reade, Esq., *s.a.*, was appointed to be Hon. Sec., and the Hibernian Bank to be the Treasurer. Two ecclesiastical members were co-opted, one instead of the Rev. James Meegan, *s.r.*, who, though named in the Scheme, had become disqualified from acting by reason of his removal to another county, and the other instead of the Rev. Peter McGlone, *s.r.*, who was unwilling to act. The Most Rev. Dr. Donnelly was elected a Commissioner, St. Macarten's Seminary was adopted as a school to receive the benefit of the Endowment under section 56 of the Scheme. A school committee consisting of five men born was appointed, with power to appoint a Head Master, and through him the Assistant Masters and other officers and servants, with the remuneration each should receive, to regulate the various branches of education to be taught in the school, to determine the fees and pensions to be paid by the pupils, to make rules and regulations for the management of the school, and to enter into contracts for supplies. It was decided that in compliance with section 59 of the Scheme, two free places be offered for competition in St. Macarten's Seminary, and that a competitive examination for them be held by the Head Master at such time and place as the School Committee should appoint.

A Special Meeting was held on 24th July, 1891, for the purpose of selecting members for an Estates Committee under clause 46 of the Scheme: and three such members were appointed.

At the next meeting held on 16th September, 1891, it was ordered that the Banking Account of the Board be opened in the joint names of the Chairman and Hon. Secretary power being given them to sign cheques. Arrangements were also made for holding the Second Annual Competitive Examination for two free places in St. Macarten's Seminary.

On the 18th November, 1891, a fourth meeting was held. A letter was read from the Secretary of the Freemanagh Protestant Board of Education inviting the Freemanagh Roman Catholic Board to join them in availing for the commutation of the retiring annuity of the Rev. Dr. Steele, former Head Master of Eniskillen Royal School. After some discussion, it was decided that, for the present, it would not be advisable to interfere in any way with the capital of the Endowment.

The Board met for their last quarterly meeting at Eniskillen on 17th February, 1892, and authorized the Chairman and Secretary to make application, under Section 63 of the Scheme, for the interest on the entire Building Fund given to the Freemanagh Roman Catholic Board by Section 66.

At the opening of the Academic Year, the students in St. Macarten's Seminary on the roll numbered thirty-eight, six of these being day pupils. The largest number of boarding pupils attending at any one time within the year was forty-eight. We are happy to report that the general health of the students has been satisfactory.

Eight candidates presented themselves for examination for the two free places. The two successful competitors were admitted into the School as boarding pupils, receiving each a reduction of £10 on the School pension.

There is no other subject which seems to us to call for observation.

We have the honour to be, my Lords and Gentlemen,

Your obedient servants,

✠ JAMES DONNELLY, Chairman,
D. CAROLAN READE, Hon. Sec.

Board Recd.,
Freemanagh Roman Catholic Board of Education,
St. Macarten's Seminary, Monaghan,
13th September, 1892.

IX.—REPORT OF DONGAL PROTESTANT BOARD OF EDUCATION for the year ending 30th JUNE, 1892.

The following were the members and office-bearers of the Board for the year, viz:—

		Rev. Robert McMorris, M.A., <i>Chairman.</i>
		Wm. H. Boyd, Esq., D.L., <i>Vice-Chairman.</i>
MEMBERS.		
Rev. John Malloy, B.A.		Rev. Henry F. Macdonald, M.A.
Rev. Robert McFarlane, B.D.		Robert Carson Wilson, Esq.
Rev. Alex. G. Lecky, B.A.		
		Rev. John A. Bain, M.A., <i>Secretary.</i>
		Thomas Hamilton, <i>Treasurer.</i>

The following were co-opted members of the Board on 25th May, 1892, viz:—

Rev. James Craig Wallace, B.A.	John S. Weir, Esq., J.P.
Rev. Kerr H. Thompson, M.A.	William McClinton, Esq.
Thomas Butler Stoney, Esq., J.P.	

Rev. John A. Bain resigned membership of the Board on 25th May; Mr. Hamilton was appointed Secretary in his stead, and Mr. McClinton was appointed Treasurer.

Rev. Robert McFarlane resigned membership of the Board on 23rd June, 1892. In accordance with Section 39 of the Scheme, Rev. Wm. Scott, Minister of the Covenanted Church, Convey, was duly elected in his stead.

Commissioner.—John Walker Craig, Esq., q.c., was unanimously appointed Commissioner by the Board.
Royal School.—The Board took possession of Royal School premises and lands held by the late Head Master from Commissioners, according to agreement dated 25th May, 1892.

Premises and Lands.—Messrs. Robert C. Wilson and Thomas Hamilton were appointed a Committee to sell lands, and provide for care of buildings.

The committee let lands by public auction for cropping to 1st November next.

Mrs. Annie Reilly was readmitted as caretaker of Royal School premises.

Monies.—No monies were received from Commissioners during the year. The Board drew £15 on account of auction bills, to meet the necessary expenditure for the current year.

Claims.—In accordance with Section 67 of the Scheme the Board have made a claim for part of Royal School premises built by Bishop Foster. Architect's plans and valuation of part so claimed have been furnished and sent forward, at request of Committee of Commissioners. No decision on the matter has yet been communicated to the Board.

School not opened.—The Board having come so lately into possession of Royal School premises, no steps have yet been taken to open a school.

Adopted at the meeting of the Board held at Royal School, Raphoe, on 25th August, 1892.

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T. B. STONEY, Chairman.

F.S.—The Board held nine meetings during the year. Statement of attendance of members appended hereto.

THOS. HAMILTON, Hon. Sec.

DONEGAL PROTESTANT BOARD OF EDUCATION.

Attendance of Members at Meetings for the year ending 30th June, 1892.

	15th June.	15th July.	7th Sept.	20th Sept.	10th Nov.	8th Jan.	20th April.	16th May.	7th June.	Total.
Rev. Robert McFerris, M.A.,	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	9
Wm. B. Boyd, Esq.,	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	9
Rev. E. McFarlane, D.D.,	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	9
Rev. John Molloy, Esq.,	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	9
Rev. John A. Mori, M.A.,	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	9
Rev. Alex. G. Lewis, Esq.,	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	9
Edw. Charles Walsh,	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	9
Thomas Blackman,	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	9
Rev. Henry P. McDonald,	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	9
Members co-opted 15th May, 1892:										
Rev. Charles Thompson, M.A.,	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	9
William McChesney,	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	9
John H. Webb, Esq.,	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	9
Charles T. D. Stoney, Esq.,	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	9
Rev. T. Craig Wilson, M.A.,	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	9

Signed,

THOMAS HAMILTON, Hon. Sec.

31st August, 1892.

X.—ANNUAL REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS of the DONEGAL ROMAN CATHOLIC BOARD of EDUCATION, for year ended 30th of June 1892, furnished to the Commissioners of Education in Ireland.

GENTLEMEN.—Since the 15th of June, 1891, the date of the first meeting of the Donegal Roman Catholic Board of Education, until the 30th of June, 1892, six meetings were held, at four of which the Most Rev. Dr. O'Donnell, presided. The Right Rev. Monsignor M'Fadden acted as Chairman at one, and Mr. M'Loane (Vice-Chairman) at another. The first meeting was convened by circular signed by five members of the Board, the others by circular signed by the Hon. Secretary.

Each member, at the first meeting he attended, signed the following declaration:—"I hereby accept the office of member of the Donegal Roman Catholic Board of Education."

The clerical members present at the first meeting co-opted the Very Rev. Charles McGlynn, F.R., V.C., as member to fill the place vacated by the death of the Right Rev. Monsignor M'Menamin, F.R., V.C., of Stranorlar. The Most Rev. Patrick O'Donnell was elected Chairman, Joseph M'Loane, Esq., J.P., Vice-Chairman, Monsignor M'Fadden, Treasurer, Very Rev. C. McGlynn, Hon. Secretary, and the Very Rev. Edward Maguire, D.D., Commissioner of Education. The school known as the Seminary or High School, Letterkenny, has been selected as the educational establishment to which the Board will apply monies placed at their disposal for Intermediate Education. The following members of the Board were unanimously appointed to constitute the School Committee, viz.:—The Most Rev. Dr. O'Donnell, Monsignor M'Fadden, Mr. Magnus M'Fadden, J.P., and Mr. Patrick M'Menamin, J.P.

Early in the proceedings a discussion took place on the income from the Raphoe Royal School estate, and the Board was unanimously of opinion, as the tenants on the estate showed a disposition to buy their farms under the Ashbourne Act, that steps should be taken to meet their wishes as soon as possible.

At a meeting held on the 15th July, the Donegal Roman Catholic Board appointed Monsignor M'Fadden, Mr. M'Menamin, and Mr. M. M'Fadden, in conjunction with the three gentlemen selected by the Donegal Protestant Board of Education, to act as Estates Committee.

The Most Rev. Dr. O'Donnell, on behalf of the School Committee, intimated to the Board that the Rev. P. Brennan resigned his position in the High School, Letterkenny, in January last and the Rev. John Kennedy in August last, and that the Masters at present in charge of the school are the Rev. P. O'Doherty, Principal, and the Rev. H. Gallagher, Assistant.

To a letter from the Commissioners, dated 3rd July, inviting a tender for the Raphoe School premises to be used for the purpose of a school, a reply was sent by our Board that we were not in a position to rent or purchase said premises, but that to our knowledge it could be sold at a fair price in open market.

The Roman Catholic Board adopted and sent to the Commissioners of Education in Ireland a reply to the claims put forward by the Denegal Protestant Board, under the 57th Clause of the Scheme, which reply was laid before the Committee investigating the claims.

At the meeting held on the 9th of June, 1892, the arrangement recently sanctioned by the Commissioners of Education in Ireland for the sale of the Townsville Estate to the tenants was discussed; after going into the circumstances, past and present, of the property, the members present were unanimous in thinking that the proposal of the Commissioners was the very best that could be made in the interest of all concerned.

As there was no account opened, and no money passed between the Commissioners and this Board up to the 30th June, the "copy of their last audited account," required by the 48th clause of the Scheme, is out of the question.

I remain, Gentlemen, your obedient servant,

CHARLES M'GLOTH, F.R., V.S.,

Hon. Sec.

Stirrowbar, 13th Sept., 1892

To the Commissioners of Education in Ireland.

APPENDIX D.

REPORT, AS TO ARMAGH SCHOOL PREMISES,

Of the COMMITTEE, consisting of Monsignor Melloy, Mr. Pigot, Mr. Carton, Mr. Craig, Mr. Shaw, and Dr. Traill, appointed to investigate the present value of any sum attributable to the expenditure of any private moneys on the premises of Armagh and Raphoe by any Protestant Benefactor or Benefactors.

The Committee met on the 20th May, 1892, when the two Armagh Local Boards appeared before them by Mr. J. H. Campbell of Counsel for the Protestant Local Board, and The MacDermot, q.c., of Counsel for the Roman Catholic Local Board.

In the opinion of the Committee, the claims must be confined to those dealing with the Benefactions of Primate Robinson and Buresford, both of which are admitted by the Committee.

The benefits are estimated by the Committee at £1,235 9s. 11d., and £2,096 8s., respectively; total, £3,331 17s. 11d.

The total expenditure on the buildings amounted to £13,189.

The present value of the Buildings and Premises, excluding lands valued at £48, yearly, estimated at twelve years purchase on a rent of £258, is £3,034.

The value of the said buildings and premises, now attributable to private benefactors, is £756, that is, one-fourth part of the present value of the buildings.

Adopted at a meeting of the Commissioners, held on October 14, 1892.

DUBLIN CASTLE,
20th June, 1893.

SIR,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 19th instant, forwarding, for submission to His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant, the Annual Report of the Commissioners of Education in Ireland for the year 1891-92.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

D. HARREL.

~~The Secretary~~ to the Commissioners
of Education in Ireland.